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# The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School

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### Happy Half-Term

I cannot believe we have already made it to half-term already. Fingers crossed for some sunshine next week - have a lovely week.

### MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our coffee afternoon last. Friday - the governors in the kitchen and the Year 6 children did a wonderful job of supplying you, our lovely customers, with some delicious cakes. Along with donations, we all raised a fantastic £250 - amazing!



### **Book Bus**

For the last two years we have held a book fair in school. From this we have earned commission which has enabled us to buy more books for the library and some sets of guided reading books.

There is a slight change this year in that, on Monday 11th November, a 'Book Bus' will arrive in Whimple for the day. The Thirsty Farmer have kindly agreed for the bus to park in their car park.

Leaflets with more information will be coming home with your child.

## TOP TALK After school club - Wednesdays 3.30-4.45pm - Yr1 to 6

Do you like talking? Come along to have fun speaking in all sorts of ways!

We will learn how to:-

Give interesting talks about your favourite things
Debate about topics you are interested in
Make your point well
Share your opinion with valid reasons
Present a poem with friends
Tell stories in ways that make people listen
Tell jokes with perfect timing
Ask super questions

This club will be free for the autumn half term and will start on Wednesday 30th October. The final session will be on Wednesday 11th December.

For more details and to sign up contact Mrs Alison Shorer on ali@articulacy.co.uk 07971 512740.

### Fantastic Friday

This half-term Fantastic Friday will be held on Fridays, 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd November and the activities are as follows:

Activity	Year Group	Equipment required
Forest School Opposite to this half term	Year 1 and 2 (half)	Wellies, long sleeved top and trousers, waterproof coat, gloves.
Crafting - quilting project	Year 5	none
Creative Arts - music and drama	Year 3	none
Mindfulness and Art Skills	Year 1 and 2 (half)	
Cookery	Year 6	none
Sporty Stars and Computing	Year 4	P.E. Kit (which should be in school)



Eco-friendly Guy **C**ompetition! Create a Guy to sit on top of the bonfire at Whimple Cricket Club on lovember 2nd. Don't use any plastic and include as many recycled things as you can! Judging at the Cricket Club at 2pm on November 2nd. Kindly sponsored by Cotley Farm. The winning family will go to Cotley Farm and choose their Christmas tree!



# Dates for your diary

### October

Friday 18th October School Annual Apple Picking

Half term 21st to 25th October 2019

### November

Friday 1st November FOWS Halloween Disco

Thursday 7th November Fire Safety Visit Year 5 and Ash Class

Saturday 9th November FOWS Craft Fair

Monday 11th November

### December

Friday 6th December Non-pupil day

Wednesday 11th December Christmas Dinner

Thursday 12th December KS2 Carol Service 5.45pm

Friday 13th December FOWS Christmas Fair

Tuesday 17th December Key Stage One Christmas Nativity (time tbc)
Wednesday 18th December Key Stage One Christmas Nativity (time tbc)

Friday 20th December Last day of term 1.30pm finish

Week commencing 11th May Key Stage 2 SATs

Week commencing 8th June Phonics screening/times tables testing

Monday 6th July - Friday 10th July Year 6 Residential to Pixie's Holt

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