

# CONTACT

## The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School

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A hot, but successful week - all class trips and residential have now been completed. It was great to get away for a few days with the older children on residential. I would like to say a big thank you to Miss Clarke, Mrs Wall and Mr Brown who have been involved in all the planning beforehand and then actually going away this week. These things could not take place if these adults were not prepared to give up their free time. No doubt, like the children, we will all sleep well this weekend.



I would like to thank all other staff that have been involved in trips over recent weeks; there is always a lot of planning and preparation in order to make sure things run smoothly.



The forecast for early next week continues to be really hot - please make sure children bring in sun hats to wear and apply sun cream before coming into school.

### **School Summer Fayre 23rd July 11am-2pm**

We look forward to seeing you all at our summer fayre on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July from 11-2pm – bring family and friends and come enjoy a great day out!

#### **Donations needed please!**

We are looking for these items pre-loved and in good condition:

- **School uniform** and **children's fancy dress**
- **Toys** - (primary aged, no younger please)
- **Books and Teddy's**

We also need loans of gazebos to shelter stalls and bunting and other suitable decorations for the day.

We will also need **cake** donations on the day for the cream tea stall.

If you haven't yet **volunteered** and can help, even just for 30mins please get in touch.  
[whimble.pta@gmail.com](mailto:whimble.pta@gmail.com)

Please bring any donations to the **school office from 11th July until 21st July** (there will be labelled boxes on the table just opposite the first door). If you have any questions about donations or a large amount to bring please contact the summer fayre committee on [whimble.pta@gmail.com](mailto:whimble.pta@gmail.com)

If you have other suggestions for the fayre do get in touch otherwise we look forward to seeing you there!



## Summer Reading Challenge

Children aged 4 - 11 can join in the Summer Reading Challenge at their local library for **FREE** this summer!

The Summer Reading Challenge, produced by The Reading Agency, combines free access to books with fun, creative activities during the summer holidays. Throughout the Challenge, library staff and young volunteers support children to discover new authors and illustrators and explore a wide range of different types of books and ways of reading.

This year's theme is *Gadgeteers*, with a focus on science, inventions, and making the world a better place while having fun!

Sign up at your local library from Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July to join in and get your *Gadgeteers* collector poster.

### How it works:

- Visit your local library and speak to a member of staff to sign up
- Set a reading goal (6 books is recommended) and borrow and read library books of your choice
- Collect stickers along the way to complete the poster
- When you complete the challenge, receive your certificate and medal!

Keep up to date with our latest news via Facebook (@otterystmarylibrary) and Twitter (@ottery\_library)



# Dates for your diary

Monday 18th July	Willow Parents Meetings
Tuesday 19th July	Oak, Beech and Willow Parents Meeting
Wednesday 20th July	Non-uniform day for school fayre tombola prizes
Saturday 23rd July	School Summer Fayre
Tuesday 26th July	Leavers Assembly for Year 6 parents - 1.45pm
Tuesday 26th July	End of term - 3.30pm

Term dates for pupils - 2022/23:

## **AUTUMN TERM 2022**

**5<sup>th</sup> September to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

*Half term - 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022*

## **SPRING TERM 2023**

**4<sup>th</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

*Half term - 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023*

## **SUMMER TERM 2024**

**17<sup>th</sup> April to 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023**

*May Day holiday - 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023*

*Half term - 29<sup>th</sup> May to 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023*

*Non-pupil days (i.e. staff only): 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022, 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023*

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