



Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 19/7/24

News

Parent Survey

Many thanks to those parents who completed our online parent survey. We were so pleased to see that the responses were overwhelmingly positive and that you feel confident and happy for us to have your children in our care – we feel very proud. Mrs Baird and I have been going through your very helpful comments and feedback to see what we can do to make our school even better. We will publish our responses on our website and send you a message and a link to let you know when it's there. We had some mixed reviews of our homework taskboards, some people love them, some think they are too much and some feel we need more! Over the summer we will consider some options and come back to you.

Thank you!

We have come to the end of another amazing academic year with your children. They have worked so hard, and shown such good behaviour and attitudes to learning, and we couldn't be prouder of all they have achieved. We are very lucky to work in a school where our children are very well supported at home – it makes our lives much more rewarding as our children come in ready to learn. We are also very fortunate to have skilled and experienced staff who have taken on the challenge of this year with resilience and good humour, adapting their practice, developing new strategies, and giving their all to our school. I feel very fortunate to work with them. You have, as always, been very generous with gifts and cards, so we want to say a big thank you to you all. Working with your children is reward enough, but the thought behind your generosity is truly heartwarming. Have a fantastic summer with your lovely little people and we will keep our fingers crossed for some sun!

Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	95.22%	95.60%	96.01%	96.18%	95.94%	96.91%	94.06%
Whole School %	95.72%						

Just a reminder, we will be sending letters using our new assessment system "A-Star", to let you know if your child has dipped below 95% or into the 'persistent absentee' realms of 90% or below. Please come and see us if we can be of any help with attendance. These letters are not intended as a criticism, we are keeping you informed as we are asked to do so in guidance from the LA and DfE.

Celebrations

Well done to our WonderWall winners – our teachers were very naughty and put everyone on, but all of our children have worked so hard, that we would have struggled to choose! Our housepoint winners of the week were Lindisfarne, and for the whole year the housepoint trophy went to Dunstanburgh. The TTRockstars engagement winners were Year 6 with 100%!!!



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Dates for your diary...

- Friday 19th July - Last Day of the school year.
- Monday 2nd September – INSET day for staff.
- Tuesday 3rd September – First day of school for all pupils.
- Friday 25th October – Food bank Friday and break up for half term.

Things to remember...

- If you have outstanding payments on ParentPay, please could you get these up to date, ready for the next academic year?
- If your child requires medication in school, could you please send them in on the first day back, with medication which is in date.
- A quick reminder to let us know if you move house, change phone number, or anything else that you feel we should know about.

Don't forget, you can find lots of school information on our [website](#) – our letters are saved on there, you can find out about our curriculum, and we have our calendar and term dates too. If you are ever in need of information, it's a good place to start! Additionally, all dates are on our E-schools calendar.