



Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 3/10/25

News

WhatsApp Groups

We have been hearing about inappropriate conversations taking place in parent WhatsApp groups, which are intended to share information about school. Please be mindful when posting in school-specific parent WhatsApp groups and, if you feel it's necessary, take irrelevant conversation into another chat. The primary purpose of school WhatsApp groups is to share information, such as: calendar dates, class information, party invitations and reminders about changes within school. If necessary, school would support administrators of the group chat if they felt they needed to remove any parent/carer from the group chat who discuss controversial or inappropriate topics.

Parents' Evening Appointments

Parents' evening appointments are now available to book on ESchools; the appointments will run across two evenings, Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October. If you aren't able to make either of these dates, please rest assured that there will be another parents' evening in the Spring, but the class teacher will always be in touch if they have any concerns.

Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	89.9%	99.5%	98.5%	98.6%	97.8%	97.5%	97.6%
Whole School %	97%						

Celebrations

Our Wonderwall winners have been superstars this week, you should be so proud of yourselves! Year Six were this week's TTRS winners with 100% of children answering more than 100 questions – and Year Five weren't very far behind with 96%. Every class had improved their TTRockstars percentages. The house point winners were Warkworth. Well done everyone!





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Dates for your diary... (Remember, whole school dates are on our website and ESchools calendars)

- **Wednesday 8th October** – Reception Vision Screening (only opt-out slips to be returned)
- **Friday 10th October** – Hello Yellow Day – please see the letter attached to your email
- **Monday 13th October** – Flu Immunisations (consent to be given online)
- **Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October** – Parents' Evening Appointments
- **Tuesday 21st October** – Year 4 at the Hancock Museum (consent to be emailed to Mrs Baird)
- **Wednesday 22nd October** – Year 3 at West Boldon Lodge (consent to be emailed to Mrs Baird)
- **Wednesday 22nd October** – 'Glow Party' (tickets are £5 on ParentPay)
- **Thursday 23rd October** – Foodbank Friday

Things to remember...

- **Year 3** - Pedestrian training slips are to be returned to the school office please.
- Please note, **Guitar and choir are now full.**
- Children need to bring a water bottle into school every day.
- **Easyfundraising** – You can help raise funds for school when you shop online using easyfundraising. Below is our QR code, for anyone who would like to register. It's really simple and, once you've signed up, it's an automatic process. For those who have signed up already, thank you for your continued support, you've managed to raise £800.37!
- **Christmas Fair** – If you are able to donate Christmas gift bags, tissue paper or raffle prizes, please hand them into the school office. If you're able to help us out in preparation for, during, or after the school fair, please let Mrs Baird know. Thank you!
- There are lots of spaces in **Game Karate** for Years 1 and 2, please drop Ross an email if you'd like to make an enquiry: ross@kenshokarate.net

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.