



# Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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## Newsletter 7/3/25

### News

#### World Book Day and book club

The staff and children of Parochial had an excellent World Book Day yesterday! We are so grateful for your efforts with the 'Design a T-shirt' and were so impressed by the designs! Please pop over to our Facebook group for some excellent photos.

We must say a huge thank you to our Friends, who organised the Golden Ticket competition – it was very exciting to open our chocolate to look for a ticket, and where there was no ticket, chocolate is a very comforting consolation!

We used this week to launch our engagement with the Blue Peter Book Club. Each month, we will buy and display copies of the books that they recommend for children to borrow. If they want to leave a comment about the book on the Blue Peter website, or apply for a Blue Peter Badge, they'll need help at home to sign in to the BBC site and then upload a comment or review. There are slips for the children to bring home which have instructions and the QR code (right). The books are proving very popular already and we hope this will help to encourage a love of reading.



### Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	97.62%	95.50%	97.36%	97.21%	97.63%	96.66%	98.28%
Whole School %	97.19%						

### Celebrations

Congratulations to all of our children who were chosen for Wonderwall this week!!

The housepoint winners will be announced next week, as our Year 6 children are in Robinwood. But, despite them being away for 3 days this week, they were still our TTRS winners! Well done everyone!





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## Dates for your diary... (Remember, whole school dates are on our website and e-schools calendars)

- **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March** – Deadline for ordering Unscripted Photography photographs, if you'd like to receive free delivery to school.
- **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 2 at Whickham School for a multi-skills event. Children need to wear their PE kits and take a water bottle with them.

## Things to remember...

- **ParentPay** – We are nearing the financial year end in school, so please could you ensure that any outstanding payment items are paid for on ParentPay. There are lots of outstanding items: That History Bloke Visits for lots of classes, Swimming for Year 4 and extra-curricular activities. Could you also please make sure that your school meals are up to date. Thanks so much!
- If you haven't done so already, please could **Year 2** parents email their consent, for their child to attend the sports session at Whickham School.
- Could **Year 6** parents email Mrs Baird with their child's details for their leaver's hoodies – please see her previous emails.
- We are still taking bookings for the upcoming '**Supporting Literacy Workshop**' on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March. Please email Mrs Baird if you'd like to be booked on.
- Grassroots are having their **Easter sports camp** at Parochial – please see the flyer attached.
- Please remember, if your child brought home a **wish list** from the book fair and you've purchased something from it at home, Mrs Baird will need the wish list to order their items. The wish list must contain the payment reference number you were given on your confirmation.

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.