



Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

Let your light shine!

Newsletter 5/12/25

News

Christmas Fair

Thank you so much to everyone who came along to the Christmas Fair, an amazing £2194.46 was raised for school! An extra special thank you goes to Gillian, the Chair of our PTA, who has been so enthusiastic and passionate when organising events this year. Another big thank you goes to those parents who continuously give up their time to help us prepare for events and run the events too, you know who you are and we're very thankful to you!

Dance Fuse

As KS1 have their Nativity performances on Friday 12th December, those children who usually do PE, will have their PE session on Tuesday 16th December instead. Children should come to school on Friday 12th in their uniforms and Tuesday 16th in their PE kits.

Menu Change

On Wednesday 10th December, lunch will be chicken bites with special fried rice and sweet and sour sauce, veggie bites with special fried rice and sweet and sour sauce, or jacket potato – this will replace Week 2's usual Wednesday choice. Apart from Christmas dinner on Thursday 11th December, the rest of the menu will remain the same.

On Friday 12th December, it will be fish and chips, quiche, or jacket potato – not beef or veggie burger. Sorry for the confusion!

Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	92.90%	97.31%	97.24%	97.98%	98.01%	96.72%	96.85%
Whole School %	96.72%						

Celebrations

Congratulations to this week's Wonderwall superstars, for letting your light shine!
The TTRS trophy went to Year 6 and Alnwick won our house point trophy – well done children!





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

- **Tuesday 9th December** - Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights (remember to opt out **online** if you don't wish for your child to take part)
- **Wednesday 10th December** - KS1 at Gibside's Christmas Trail (permission must be emailed to Mrs Baird for your child to attend)
- **Thursday 11th December** - Christmas Dinner (remember to send your child with a packed lunch, if they didn't order a Christmas dinner)
- **Friday 12th December** – KS1 Nativity (2 tickets, per family, are available on ParentPay for each performance)
- **Monday 15th December** – KS2 Nativity practise (children need a packed lunch, water bottle and a warm coat)
- **Wednesday 17th December** – KS2 Nativity at 2pm – maximum 2 spectators per family please and children are to be collected after the performance, from the church. We will keep hold of younger siblings until you can get to school to collect them (children need a packed lunch, water bottle and a warm coat)
- **Thursday 18th December** – Christmas parties (children come to school in their party clothes)
- **Friday 19th December** – Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children (donations can be made on ParentPay)
- **Friday 19th December** – Foodbank Friday – the People's Kitchen are in particular need of tins of fruit, tins of meat and Pot Noodles, although each and every donation is gratefully received!

Things to remember...

- **Permissions Required** – Reception and KS1 Gibside Christmas Trail, Year 5 Whickham School transition days
- **Paperwork Required** – Year 6's Robinwood forms
- **Outstanding Payment Items on ParentPay** –
Year 2 – Great Fire of Gateshead, **Year 4** – Swimming Nov-Dec '25