



Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 4/10/24

News

Hello Yellow

On Thursday 10th October, it will be Hello Yellow day in school, to raise awareness of mental health amongst children. The children can come to school dressed in yellow and we're asking for a voluntary donation of £1, on ParentPay, for Young Minds. The children will be doing lots of lovely activities throughout the day, keep an eye out on our Facebook page for the updates!



Friends of Whickham Parochial

As you're probably aware, our lovely Chair of PTA Angie Hulbert, has recently stepped down from her post. Without a chair, treasurer or secretary, you unfortunately can't have a PTA. If anyone can help us, by joining the Friends team, please do get in touch. We would hate to see the Friends disband, as they've been pivotal in providing exciting events and fundraising for our school. The school staff would endeavour to do as much as possible, but Summer and Christmas fairs wouldn't be feasible. Pleas help us if you can!

Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	98.55%	97.44%	98.77%	97.83%	98.41%	98.67%	98.99%
Whole School %	98.39%						

Celebrations

We are very proud of our WonderWall winners!
Our TTRockstars winners were Year 5, with a whopping 97%!!!
Our housepoint winners were Alnwick this week.
Well done to everyone!





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

- Friday 4th October – No Irish Dancing
- Parents' Evenings, 8th and 9th October (bookable on eESchools)
- Thursday 10th October – Hello Yellow Day
- Wednesday 16th October – Reggae Workshop with Gateshead Music Service
- Friday 18th October – No Irish Dancing
- Wednesday 23rd October – Paddington 2 Movie Nights (payable on ESchools)
- Friday 25th October – Foodbank Friday
- Friday 25th October – Harvest Festival. Although we won't be able to have a Eucharist, we will still have a service at 9:15am with prayers, readings and hymns. The Year 6 pupils and our school choir will be helping me with this, so for the sake of numbers in our hall, we will invite their grown-ups only please.
- Just so you have advance notice, here are the dates for our Christmas performances:
Reception and KS1 Nativity is on Friday 13th December at both 9:15am and 2:00pm in our school hall.
KS2 Carols and reading is on Wednesday 18th December at 2:00pm at St Mary's Church.

Things to remember...

- Just a reminder that it's gold polo tops for the Summer uniform. It was only the gold shirts in the Winter uniform that changed, as they were difficult to source and expensive to buy, so we switched those to white.
- I have attached information for Wreath Making, Movie Night, the Time Theatre Pantomime and the Daisy Chain Workshop.
- We have several outstanding payments: Toys from the Past (Y1), Great Fire of Gateshead (Y2), Beamish (Y6) and Swimming (Y4).

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.

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