



Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 14/02/25

News

School Council

One of the British Values we demonstrate in school is 'Democracy' – our School Council are voted into position by their classmates, and they bring forward any ideas to School Council meetings.

Our latest meeting was held this week, where the children discussed some ideas they have to improve their time spent in school:

- We will continue to support FACT this year and host another 'Wig Walk' in the Summer term.
- The children voted democratically for 'Break the Rules Day,' to raise money for the RSPCA.
- KS2 have asked for larger football goals on their yard, which Mrs Baird will look into, and we will give the smaller goals to our KS1 footballers.
- We have started having juice on a Friday lunch time, a request made at the last School Council meeting.
- We are looking into starting a Science Club but, at the moment, there doesn't seem to be the uptake we'd need.

We are always so impressed with our children's confidence in sharing their ideas, their creativity and their thoughtfulness! Thank you, School Council!



Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	97.50%	96.45%	97.26%	97.10%	97.66%	97.05%	98.21%
Whole School %	97.33%						

Celebrations

Congratulations to this week's Wonderwall superstars, you were all fantastic!

Our house point winners were Lindisfarne and Years 5 and 6 won the TTRS trophy this week, joint with 100%!





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

- **Monday 17th February** – Year 6 watching 'Footloose' at Whickham School.
- **Tuesday 18th February** – Reception are visiting St Mary's Church, please remember to give consent to Mrs Baird.
- **Thursday 20th February** – That History Bloke delivering an Ancient Greeks workshop in Year 3, payable on ParentPay.
- **Thursday 20th February** – Green Cross Code session for Year 4.
- **Friday 21st February** – Non-uniform day, £1 donation on ParentPay. Our School Council have voted that we try and have a non-uniform day at the end of each half-term! Proceeds will go to the Friends of Whickham Parochial.
- **Friday 21st February** – Foodbank Friday and we break up for half-term!

Things to remember...

- We Do Tennis are hosting some 'Mini Tennis Sessions' over half-term – please see the flyer attached.
- Shape Performance are running half-term sports coaching at Whickham School – their flyer is attached.
- **Club bookings** are now live for after half-term – there have been some changes, so please ensure you read the covering letter of the attached activity timetable.
- **Year 6** – please remember to purchase any souvenirs on ParentPay, for your child's upcoming residential to Robinwood. Just a gentle reminder that balances will need to be paid too.
- Grass Roots are having a **gymnastics day** at Parochial on Sunday 16th February. Please see the flyer attached.
- If your child is interested in **keyboard tuition**, Years 2-6, please contact Mrs Baird.
- If your child is interested in **guitar tuition**, and they are in Years 3-6, please contact Mrs Baird.
- If your child is in our choir and wishes to participate in the '**Spring Sing**', please let Mrs Baird know. Children must wear uniform for the event.
- Lifestyle Legacy are hosting a '**Parent Health Conference**' in June, at St. James' Park. Please follow the link to learn more:
<https://lifestylelegacyhealthconsultancy.co.uk/theparenthealthconference2025>

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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