



Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 28/11/25

News

Christmas Fair

We're excited to see you at our Christmas Fair tomorrow! The Fair will run from 11am-2pm and can be accessed through the main entrance and the KS2 door. Both gates will be open. There will be face painting, games, refreshments and even Father Christmas himself!

Thiago – Compassion UK

We have raised £353 for our sponsor child, Thiago. Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed as part of our chore week, this will help us to sponsor Thiago for another year. Thiago is now six years old, and our sponsorship helps fund his education in El Salvador. Hopefully, with the money raised through our 'Chore Week', we will be able to send Thiago an extra Christmas gift too.

Experience Christmas – Fellside Church

Our children in Years 2-4 participated in the 'Experience Christmas' event at Fellside Church this week. The event was run by Brigitta Steele and her crew of lovely volunteers, helping the children explore the Holy family's journey to Bethlehem. Thank you for kicking off our festivities!

Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	93.36%	97.31%	97.02%	98.10%	98.13%	96.64%	96.80%
Whole School %	96.77%						

Celebrations

Our Wonderwall winners have been absolutely amazing, well done to you all!

Warkworth won our house point trophy this week and Year 5 and 6 were joint winners of the TTRS trophy, excellent work everyone!



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

- **Saturday 29th November** – Christmas Fair, 11am – 2pm
- **Tuesday 2nd December** – KS2 at Consett Empire's pantomime (permission must be emailed to Mrs Baird for your child to attend)
- **Wednesday 3rd December** - Year 6 DT afternoon (parents are invited to come and help their child make a Christmas stocking)
- **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 (the Google form must be completed by Wednesday 3rd December, or your child will need to bring a packed lunch)
- **Friday 12th December** – KS1 Nativity (2 tickets, per family, are available on ParentPay for each performance)

Things to remember...

- **Permissions Required** – KS2 Consett Empire, Reception and KS1 Gibside Christmas Trail, Year 5 Whickham School transition days and Christmas Dinner choices
- **Footprints** – Could you send Mrs Baird a photo of your child with their grandparent/grandparents please, along with a quote of why they love them? Thank you!
- **Paperwork Required** – Year 6's Robinwood forms
- **Outstanding Payment Items on ParentPay** –
Year 2 – Great Fire of Gateshead, **Year 4** – Swimming Nov-Dec '25
- **I have attached:** Christmas Fair information, KS2 pantomime and KS1 Gibside letters, the Christmas Dates poster and a suggested clothing list for Reception and KS1's visit to Gibside. I have also attached a flyer for 'Aqua Splash'.

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.