



## Newsletter 31/01/25

### News

#### Friends of Whickham Parochial

The Friends of Whickham Parochial had their first meeting last night - it was a great turn out, with representatives from most year groups. Everyone was so enthusiastic and there were some very exciting ideas being share around. If you're interested in hearing more about our PTA, please do get in touch.  
We're looking forward to the first event of 2025, a Valentine's Day Disco for KS1 and KS2 – remember to get your tickets on ParentPay!

#### Valentine's Day

To celebrate Valentine's Day in school, we are inviting children to come to school, 'wearing what they love'. This might be their pyjamas, their uniform for Brownie's, or a team sports kit – feel free to interpret it as you wish. Please be mindful that clothes must be appropriate for school.

#### Verruca's

If your child has a verruca, they will need to wear a sock with grips for PE, like the socks they use in a trampoline park. If they go swimming with school, Blaydon Pool ask that they wear verruca socks.

### Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	97.30%	96.29%	97.14%	96.99%	97.68%	97.11%	98.13%
Whole School %	97.24%						

### Celebrations

Well done to our Wonderwall stars this week, keep up the good work!  
Our housepoint winners were Chillingham and our TTRS trophy went to Year 6 with top marks, 100%!  
Congratulations to you all!





# Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

*Let your light shine!*

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

- **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February** – Unscripted Photography (please see Mrs Baird's previous email for further information).
- **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February** – Swimming gala. If your child is in a team, they will need to remember a packed lunch. Previous emails contain more information.
- **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** – 'Wear what you love' to school to celebrate Valentine's Day. Our KS1 and KS2 Valentine's Day Discos, tickets are available on ParentPay.
- **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** – Irish Dancing is cancelled.

## Things to remember...

- Whilst **Year 6** are at **Robinwood**, they have photographers on site taking new photos/videos for their website and promotional material – please drop Mrs Baird a message and let me know if you give consent for your child's photo to be taken. Thank you!
- If you know of anyone who may be interested in helping the **Girlguiding Whickham Guides**, I have attached a poster of volunteering opportunities.
- Grass Roots are having a **gymnastics day** at Parochial on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February. Please see the flyer attached.
- Don't forget to use the **Easyfundraising app** for your online shopping at big stores including Amazon, Etsy, M&S, to name a few. Those parents who have been using it have so far raised over £500 for school!
- Many thanks if you have been using the app, and if you would like to start and are unsure how, just click the link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/whickham-pce-prisch> or scan the QR code:



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.