



# Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

*Let your light shine!*

## Newsletter 22/5/26

### News



#### Mrs Saint

Yesterday, we wished Mrs Saint a happy retirement, after 28 years at Whickham Parochial. Mrs Saint has been such an important part of our school and she will be a big miss, to both the staff and the children. Congratulations, from us all!

#### Cosy Day

We have had a brilliant day today, for 'Cosy Day' and have managed to raise £ for the Dog's Trust. Thank you to everyone who participated today and donated on ParentPay. Make sure to look on Facebook to see what our classes have been up to!

#### Football Tournament

Don't forget to sign up on ParentPay, if you'd like to take part in our football tournament, on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. It was a huge success last time and we're hoping that this year's will be even better! There will be refreshments, trophies and participation medals for everyone. Teams will be made up by the Friends of Whickham Parochial, but will be grouped into ages. The tournament will start at approximately 4.30pm, and should be finished by 6.30pm, depending upon the number of teams. We're looking for referees and parents who would like to join in the parent match at the end, so please drop Mrs Baird a message.

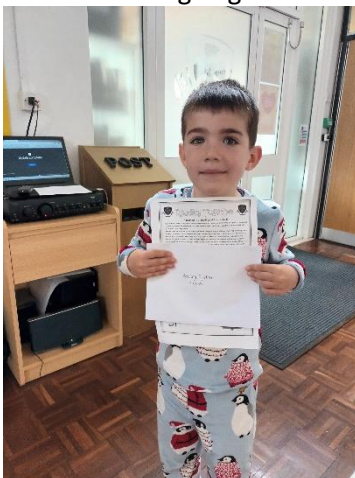


### Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	95.39%	97.77%	97.04%	97.15%	96.80%	96.10%	96.62%
Whole School %	96.70%						

### Celebrations

Our Wonderwall winners have let their lights shine this week and we are so proud of them all. The TTRS trophy was awarded to Year 6 with 100% and our house point winners were Dunstanburgh. Well done to our Reading Together winner for this half-term, a child in Year 1, enjoy the cinema!





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

- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June** – Inset Day (school is closed).
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – deadline for returning scratch cards, sold and unsold.
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – deadline for entering the football tournament (participation tickets to be purchased on ParentPay).
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – Year 6 at Safety Works (payment can be made on ParentPay, FSM children to give consent to Mrs Baird).
- **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** – Year 2 at the Captain Cook Museum (payment can be made on ParentPay, FSM children to give consent to Mrs Baird).
- **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June** – Trials for the Athletics Festival. Children who would like to take part, must bring their PE kits and trainers into school, and be prepared to stay behind from 3.20-4.20pm.
- **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June** – Deadline for voting for the parent governor election.

## Things to remember...

- **Scratch Cards:** A gentle reminder to participate in our scratch card fundraiser, to be in with the chance to win £20! If you need any more information, please get in touch.
- **Permissions Required:**
  - Year 2 – Captain Cook Museum (FSM children only, payment will be taken as consent for other children)
  - Year 3 – Centre for Life (FSM children only, payment will be taken as consent for other children)
  - Year 6 – Safety Works (FSM children only, payment will be taken as consent for other children)
  - Choir – Summer Sing (please note, children will need to be collected from the Glasshouse, after the event)
- **Outstanding Payment Items:**
  - Year 2 – Great Fire of Gateshead and Captain Cook Museum
  - Year 3 – Ancient Greece Workshop, Centre for Life
  - Year 4 – Swimming (Nov-Dec '25), Swimming (Jan-Feb '25), Swimming (Mar-Apr '26), Swimming (Apr-May '26) and Swimming (June-July '26)
  - Year 5 – Eden Camp
  - Year 6 – Safety Works
- **Year 6:** Please could both CGP books be returned to school and baby/first day of school photo be emailed in, as soon as possible.
- **Attached:** Football Tournament info and the Grass Roots Sports Camp flyer, SEND invitation
- **SEND:** If you would like to attend the upcoming SEND session in school, please let me know!