Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 13/11/26

News

Children in Need

The children looked amazing today!! We have had so much fun recognising Children in Need – thank you so much to everyone who has supported this wonderful charity, by donating online or sporting their spots and dots today! If you haven't yet donated, and would like to, the link is still open.

Pantomime

The Friends of Whickham Parochial have very kindly funded our trip to the pantomime again this year! The whole school will be going to Consett Empire, to see this year's pantomime, 'Beauty and the Beast.' Please see the letter attached and contact school via ESchools or email, to give consent for your child to attend, before Friday 27th November. Thank you!

Nativity Tickets – Reception and KS1

Tickets for Reception and Year 1's performance of 'A Rootin' Tootin Nativity' are now on sale on ParentPay – please see the letter attached. Please note, tickets are limited to two people, per family, per performance.

Santa's Grotto

There are a few slots left to visit Santa Claus at this year's Christmas Fair – pop into the school office to purchase your tickets!

Reception – Christmas Bauble

If your child is in Reception and would like to donate a bauble for our Christmas tree, please hand it into the school office before Friday 27th November. **Please note** – the bauble will be kept in school and can't be made of breakable material. Thank you!

Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	97.27%	97.27%	97.98%	96.95%	97.55%	97.70%	96.06%
Whole School %	97.26%						

Celebrations

Congratulations to this week's Wonderwall superstars, for letting your lights shine!

Well done to Warkworth for winning our house point trophy, and to Year 6 for winning the TTRS competition this week!

Keep up the good work!

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

- **Monday 16th November –** World Diabetes Awareness Day (normal uniform, but children can wear blue accessories)
  - Chore week begins
- **Tuesday 17th November –** No Choir
- **Thursday 19th November –** No Drama
- **Friday 20th November –** Flu immunisations (you must consent online)
  KS2 Author Visit (letter attached regarding pre-purchases of the book)
  Deadline for FACT donations
- **Monday 23rd November –** Chore week money, for Thiago, can be given to the office this week, until Friday
- **Wednesday 25th November –** Any raffle tickets, sold and unsold, to be returned to the school office
- **Friday 27th November –** Non-uniform for donations for the school fair (KS1 – sweets and chocolate, KS2 – bottles). Please contact Mrs Baird if you're available to label the tombola this afternoon!
- **Saturday 28th November –** Christmas Fair, 11am-1pm (please contact Mrs Baird if you can volunteer)
- **Tuesday 1st December –** Consett Empire 'Beauty and the Beast' (letter attached, please give consent to Mrs Baird)

Things to remember…

- **I have attached**: Santa's Grotto poster, Charlotte Tilbury advent calendar raffle, a list of the raffle prizes, FACT's Christmas appeal poster, KS2 author visit letter, the Christmas reminders poster, the pantomime letter, Gateshead West Uniform Scheme poster and the nativity tickets poster
- **French ASC:** If your child is interested in starting French with Kidslingo after school, please let Mrs Baird know their name, year group and your preferred day of the week (between a Tuesday, Thursday and Friday). A decision will be made on Monday, regarding whether there is enough uptake for the club to go ahead.
- **Outstanding payment items on ParentPay:**
  Year 2 – Great Fire of Gateshead Workshop
  Year 4 – Northumberland Zoo and Swimming (September-October and November-December)
  Year 6 – Robinwood Deposit
- **Plea:** If anyone has a Christmas tree they would like to donate to Reception, Miss Harm and the Reception children would be very appreciative!

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