



Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter 16/1/26

News

Repairs

Our stage on the KS2 yard has served us really well and we're hoping to get a lot more use out of it, especially since the repairs that were made last year. The stage is designed to be a 'calm zone,' where the children can sit and read, colour, or play. At the moment, the shelter is getting really wet, meaning the children who want a calmer playtime, aren't able to use it. We're hoping to obtain some quotes to repair and extend the roof and possibly get some sides added too. If you would like to come in and quote for this, please let Mrs Baird know!

Tea Towels from IQ Cards

It has been brought to our attention that there was a faulty batch of tea towels produced at Christmas, from IQ cards. IQ cards have asked us to make parents aware and to contact with them via email at info@iqcards.co.uk, stating the school name, child's name, delivery address and photos of the tea towel, if your order was affected. We're really sorry to hear this!

Earrings and Water Bottles

It's really important that our children have a water bottle in school each day, especially given the germs that are going around at the moment. Could you please ensure your child brings their water bottle to school every day. If your child is unable to remove their earrings, they must be covered over with tape or plasters, whenever your child has PE. Please feel free to send in some tape/plasters for your child to leave in their tray, just incase you forget before school.

Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	93.8%	97.5%	96.9%	97.1%	97.7%	96.5%	96.5%
Whole School %	96.8%						

Celebrations

Well done to the children chosen for Wonderwall this week, we are so proud of you!
Year 6 have managed to steal the TTRS trophy from Year 5 this week with an impressive 94% and Warkworth were our house point winners.





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

- **Wednesday 28th February** – 'Ice Age' movie night (tickets can be purchased on ParentPay, 3.30-5pm, drink and snack will be provided)

Things to remember...

- **Calendars** – We have a box of 2026 calendars to sell, in aid of 'Guide Dogs.' If you'd like one, please drop £1 donation into the office.
- **Robinwood Souvenirs** - Robinwood souvenirs are available to purchase on ParentPay, the deadline for ordering a souvenir is Friday 20th February.
- **Robinwood Kit List** – I have attached a suggested kit list for our Year 6 children, from Robinwood.
- **I have attached:** a flyer for an upcoming SEND Lego session, the movie night poster (3.30-5pm), a competition by the Running Fox in collaboration with Sarah Thew Photography and a flyer about GMS free ensembles.
- **The school car park:** Please can families use the pedestrian gate and footpath to come into school, not through the staff car park, or by climbing over the fence. Not only is this dangerous, but our staff's vehicles are being damaged by bikes, scooters, book bags and coat zips. Thank you for your co-operation and consideration.
- **Nut-free school:** This is a gentle reminder that any snacks or packed lunches brought into school, must be nut-free. We have several children in school with severe nut allergies and therefore aren't allowed to have any products containing nuts on the premises. Thank you!

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.