



# Whickham Parochial Church of England Primary School

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## Newsletter 4/4/25

### News

#### School Field

As the weather is getting warmer, we understand the children are desperate to play on our school field. We've decided to let children play on the field from Monday, provided they have a pair of wellies in school. Wellies must be labelled and kept inside of a bag, which they can hang on their peg. We can't take responsibility for wellies going missing and children will only be permitted on the field, when it isn't dry, if they have a pair of wellies. Wellies can remain in school for the remainder of the year, instead of children bringing them to and from school.

#### School Snacks

We just wanted to politely remind parents and carers that our school is a nut-free, healthy school. Any snacks/packed lunches that children consume in school, or at wrap around clubs, must be entirely nut-free (including 'may contain traces of'). This is to protect those children in school with nut allergies. We are noticing that increasing numbers of children are bringing sweets/crisps/chocolate for their snack at break time – please could you ensure snacks are healthy and nutritious, and that children don't take items from their lunch box, for their snack.



### Attendance

Year Group	Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
Weekly %	97.50%	95.40%	97.16%	97.42%	97.72%	96.65%	98.11%
Whole School %	97.15%						

### Celebrations

Congratulations Wonderwall winners! You've been amazing this week! Year 5 and 6 were joint winners of the TTRS trophy, and Bamburgh were our house point winners! We also would like to say a huge well done to our Year 6 football team, who managed to win the primary school football league last night! They won every one of their matches, but most importantly of all, they displayed fantastic sportsmanship and teamwork.





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

- **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April** – Parents' evening, appointments can be booked on ESchools.
- **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April** – Reception at Hall Hill Farm, please make payment on ParentPay.
- **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April** – Easter Service.
- **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April** - 'Win your height in Easter eggs' competition winner announced. Tickets can be bought on ParentPay, deadline Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April.
- **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April** – Foodbank Friday.

## Things to remember...

- If your child participated in the Dance Festival, please could their t-shirt, bracelets and anklets be returned to school.
- I have attached our absence request form, as I think some of you have the old version saved.
- KS2 had a guitar demonstration last week, from Craig at the Gateshead Music Service. If your child has expressed an interest in beginning guitar tuition, please get in touch with Mrs Baird.
- As temperatures are getting warmer (although we don't want to jinx it), please remember to send your child in with their water bottle, every day.
- Upcoming Trips: Reception – Hall Hill Farm, Year 2 – Captain Cook Museum. Both are payable on ParentPay.
- Outstanding payment items on ParentPay: Beamish Museum – Year 6, Great Fire of Gateshead – Year 2, Swimming – Year 4 (from September), Toys from the Past – Year 1, Vikings – Year 5, Ancient Greece – Year 3, Romans – Year 4. We would be very grateful if these items could be paid off ASAP.
- I have attached a flyer for the upcoming Newcastle Eagles game.
- Unfortunately, we didn't generate enough interest for cricket, so the Thursday ASC will remain as Gymnastics.
- I have attached our Spring Term Update for the Friends of Whickham Parochial.

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.