

Congratulations

Mrs Varley (SEND/CO) gave birth to a baby girl in September and Miss Neave (Year 2 teacher) and Miss Ball who have both gave birth to baby boys. Congratulations to them all.



Welcome

We would like to welcome Miss Johnston working in Nursery, Mrs Wild lunchtime supervisor and to 'Interactions' a speech and language company who are working in school with children.

Goodbye and Thank-you

We would like to say a massive, good luck and goodbye to Mrs Warner who has left Whingate to pursue a new challenge.

Sporting Achievements

We have started the new academic year triumphantly. Year 5/6 showed off their impressive footballing skills and teamwork to win an inter-school competition before half term. We have also been successful in a Tag rugby competition, as well as an amazing performance in a mixed Y5/6 Bench ball competition. We won every game and in the final a local school noted just how good the team was and commented that it was the best match they had seen. Well done!!



WHINGATE NEWS

Whingate Primary School Newsletter

OFSTED

We had an OFSTED inspection on the 11th and 12th October. We remain a GOOD school and the inspector was extremely impressed with the behaviour and attitudes of the children. There were a lot of positives that came out of the inspection. The area of improvement is related to the attendance of the children. Please continue to work with school to ensure that your child/ren are in school every day and on time.

<https://www.whingate.com/about-us-1/school-life/ofsted-report-2>

Punctuality

The gates are open from 8:35am so that children can access morning work and have a breakfast bagel. The gates are closed promptly at 8:55am. Please can you ensure that your child/ren are brought to school before the gates are closed.

Class Dojo

A massive well done and thank you to all of the parents/carers who have signed up to ClassDojo, we have 99.4% of the school are signed up. All school communication will be posted on the ClassDojo app.

School Council

The new School Council have been voted in. The children applying for the role had to stand up and explain why they wanted to be part of the council to their peers. Well done to all our new School Councillors.

Eco-Council

The Eco-council are continuing to make school a more environmentally friendly place. Year 3 children are now part of the council and have had some fabulous ideas about how we can move forward.

Fundraising

Thank you all for your kindness and generosity so far this year. We recently raised a whopping £511.31 from the Macmillan coffee morning and on the last day of half term raised £199.10 for Children in Need.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 11th December

Dress rehearsals for both the performances.

Tuesday 12th December

FS/KS1 9:15am 'Hey Ewe'
KS2 2pm 'A Christmas Twist'

Wednesday 13th December

KS2 9:15am 'A Christmas Twist'

FS/KS1 2:30pm 'Hey Ewe'

Thursday 14th December

FS/KS1 9:15am 'Hey Ewe'
KS2 2pm 'A Christmas Twist'

Friday 15th December

Santa is visiting for the day.

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas dinner and jumper day

Friday 22nd December

Last day of school.

Monday 8th January

School re-opens

Outdoor PE Days

Monday: Y3

Tuesday: Y5

Wednesday: Y2

Thursday: Y4

Friday: Y1/Y6

No branded or bright coloured kits are to be worn. If your child does not have the correct kit, they will be given spare PE kit to wear.



Indoor PE Days

Monday: Rec/Y2

Tuesday: Y6

Wednesday: Y1/Y5

Thursday: Y3

Friday: Y4

Children must have in school navy or black shorts and a white t-shirt.

Kindness tea party

On Friday 24th November we held a 'Kindness Tea Party' to celebrate anti-bullying week. The children had been set a challenge to show how kind they could be. Adults around school and the school council each chose a child who had been spotted for being kind or doing something kind. We had a lovely time and are thankful to Greggs who donated all of the sausage rolls, donuts, and treats.



Uniform

The full range of Whingate labelled uniform can be found on the website. The link is below.

<https://myclothing.com/collections/whingate-primary-school-27361>

Reminder of uniform expectations

Children to wear NAVY BLUE or WHITE polo-shirts or white shirts. A navy blue jumper or cardigan. Navy blue, black or grey trousers, shirts or smart shorts and a blue checked summer dress.

Please do not send your child to school in royal blue, baby blue or red polo-shirts. This is not uniform.

Year 6 to wear black or white polo-shirts.



Year 6 only

Jewellery is to be a **small** simple stud and a digital or analogue watch. Please can you ensure that if your child has long hair it is up and that there are not large hair accessories (headbands, bows, bobbles etc) added.