



Whittingham
C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Headteacher's Blog

Harvest Festival -

It was so lovely to see so many of you at the Harvest Festival on Wednesday. The children really tried their best singing and speaking aloud in Church. It was also lovely to finally be able to share our service with the new Vicar, Jane. The children really enjoyed her sermon on seeds and some were even lucky enough to have a bite of apple too! Thank you for donations of fresh and tinned produce. Lunch club yesterday were very happy with their food parcels and we intend to distribute the tinned food to the food bank. If you know someone in the local community who would like a food parcel please contact the office today or Monday so we can pack the produce while it's still nice and fresh.

Messy Church -

The first of the Messy Church monthly activities takes place this Saturday 8th October 11.00a.m.

PTA Family Funday-

The PTA are holding a fundraising event on Sunday 30th October at Battlebridge. There will be entertainment and lots of things to do for all the family so please do come and have fun whilst raising money for our school.

Music Tuition -

Class 2 are learning to play the violin this term and will be bringing home their violins to practice very soon.

Nursery End of day arrangements -

Unfortunately we have a number of children who are running ahead of their parents when they are dismissed from the classroom at the end of the morning. As I have previously mentioned please do keep an eye on your children as during this time it is playtime for the rest of the school and we don't want any accidents.

Early Morning Break time -

To make things easier for parents and safer for children in key stage 1 and Reception (whose school day officially starts at 8.55 a.m.) we have members of staff on duty helping children from the buses and on the school yard. If however, staff become delayed and are not on the school yard when you arrive please wait until a member of staff is there before you leave your child. The children in KS 2 are able to go straight into their classrooms at 8.40 a.m. as teaching time for them starts by 8.45 a.m.

Behaviour on the bus -

If you are lucky enough to be in receipt of free transport to school please be aware that this is a contract between parents and the bus company and the right to travel may be revoked at the driver's discretion. Unfortunately this week I have had lots of complaints about poor behaviour on the bus and I have had to speak to all children who use school transport about the need for good behaviour on the bus for their own safety.

General reminders-

Our children look amazing in their new uniform but please refer to the uniform guidelines for PE and that KS 2 wear school shirts and KS 1 wear polo shirts. Link to uniform supplier on the website. Please also refer to this for the correct PE kit.

Please encourage your child to hand in their own letters and dinner money. Each class has their own money tub. (We appreciate that children in Nursery need a little help with this.)

School website - We are aware that the new website domain we have been given - www.whittinghamprimaryschool.co.uk is not coming up in a google search. We have been in touch with our provider and this should be rectified by next week.