



**Whittingham**  
C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Headteacher's Blog

Friday 2nd February 2018

Welcome to our weekly blog. Thank you to everyone who took the time to fill in our parent questionnaires. We have had lots of positive comments and some great suggestions about how we can make our school even better. Staff will work with governors to set a date to analyse the questionnaires and put an action plan together after next weeks governing body meeting. We appreciate feedback throughout the year through our suggestions box in the foyer, by letter, email or in person. Our extended sports provision and forest schools are only just two of the suggestions that were made by pupils and parents that are in place today so it is worth taking a moment to continue to share your thoughts.

Kind Regards,

Belinda Athey- Headteacher.

*Reminders for next week -*

*Reception and Y1 cycling.*

*Year 3 and 4 girls football friendly.*

*Class 3 Assembly. Friday 9th February and we break up for half term on this day. Please note we return to school on Tuesday 20th February.*

*Our office opening hours are 8.30 - 3.30. An answer machine service is in place at all other times and messages will be picked up the following morning.*

## Exciting News!

**Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Maule who are expecting a baby due to be born in the summer holidays. What wonderful news! Governors will meet later in the term to discuss staffing arrangements for September.**

**After delays and objections we have finally received planning permission for our Multi Use Games Area. I hope to meet with the company soon after half term to arrange a date for work to start.**

## Safeguarding News.

We are proud to have regular visits from our school advisor who judges our school to be good with many outstanding features. Part of this work is our anti bullying accreditation, we have passed the latest stages following our work with the children in school about what a bully is and ways in which to stop it. We have also introduced a worry box in the classrooms and feelings wall in EY so children can feel comfortable sharing their worries and feelings in the best way for them so staff can act upon them appropriately. We also hope to run a parent workshop very soon so watch this space...

## Morning Arrangements -

Please remember that Reception and KS 1 children do not start school until 8.55 a.m. Staff are usually out on duty before this time but please do not leave your child until a member of staff is on the yard and is ready to greet them safely. Nursery children start at 9 a.m.