

Headteacher's Blog

'Hand in hand together we will become resilient, respectful and responsible citizens of our community and the wider world.'

Friday 23rd June 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Welcome to this weeks Headteacher's Blog. It was lovely to see so many of you at our Sports Day on Wednesday and we hope you all enjoyed it.

Thank you once again to the PTA who helped serve refreshments and to everyone who brought in sweet treats for us to enjoy. It was particularly helpful to have our new PA system to use so the races could be announced loud and clearly paid for by the PTA. The next PTA event is Whittingham's Got Talent on 14th July. Please support the PTA at events and meetings as if the PTA was not in place we would miss out on all the lovely extra events for our children such as Disco's, Movie Night and Bingo. We would also miss out on the extras which as the budgets for schools tightens we would not be able to provide such as the Christmas treat; bus travel, pantomime and theatre tickets, Leavers Hoodies each year and extras for the school such as the PA system.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Mr Charlton on Gate Duty if you have any suggestions as to how we can improve, concerns, queries or comments. Staff are also happy to talk to you at the end of each day during collection time.

Best wishes,

Belinda Athey - Headteacher.

This week in pictures:

The Year 3 and 4 Boys (and Mrs Thomsen) had a fantastic time at the School Games Football Festival last Thursday.

Year 5 and 6 had a fantastic time at Dance City in Newcastle on Friday and then Year 3 and 4 on Monday. Thank you to Meta 4 Dance for fully funding the session and helping towards the cost of transport.

We are extremely proud of our Swim Team who made it to the National Finals in Sheffield on Saturday. Our team entered the small schools competition. A small school for these purposes is that the Year 5 and 6 cohort should be less than 60 pupils. Our cohort is made up of less than 25 pupils. We came 19th of all the small schools that entered. Well done to the children whose individual and team improvement was amazing and to the parents for supporting us and travelling down to Sheffield on Saturday. Thanks too to our sponsor whose generous donation helped towards train fare costs.



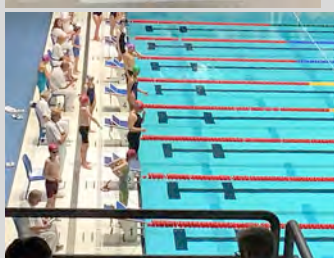
The children of Whittingham C of E Primary School were the very first to be welcomed to Lilidorei as part of the Free Fridays for Northumberland Schools. Early Years class were joined by 6 Year 6 children who were filmed by CBBC's Newsround programme. We can't wait to watch it when it is aired!



Early Years enjoyed their trip to Lilidorei, Alnwick Gardens and Castle. Our school were the first school to enjoy 'Free Friday' and feature on the Lilidorei promotional materials!



We look forward to welcoming our new nursery children to school today. Mrs Marsden and the team have organised lots of fun activities for the children to enjoy.



Happy LAST OF Day SCHOOL



Whittingham C of E Primary School are pleased to invite you to their Leavers and End of Year Celebration.

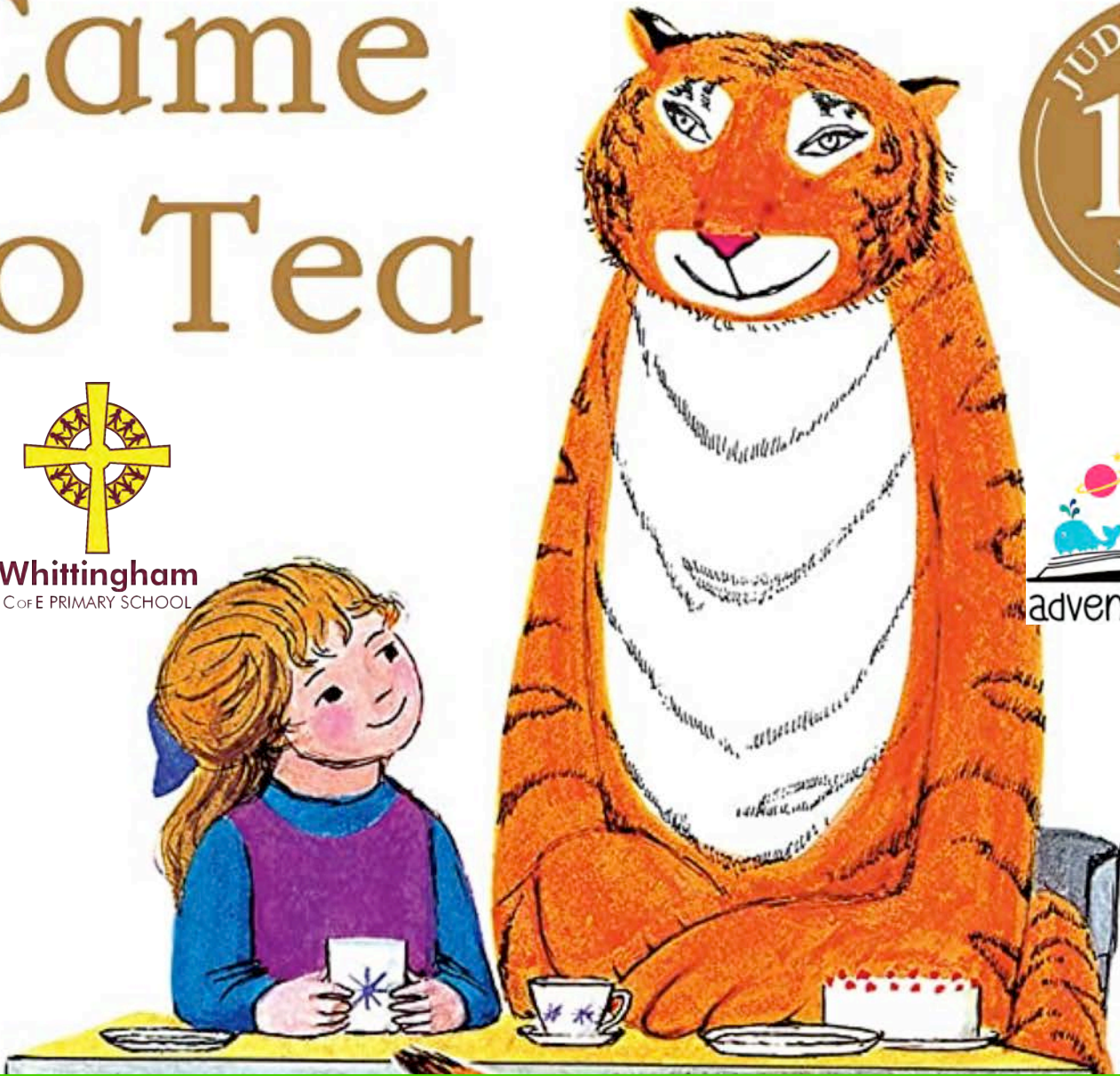
This year it will be slightly different, all the classes will share their 'best bits' and memories of the school year with a particular and special goodbye and good luck to our Year 6 Leavers.

The celebration will take place in St Bartholomew's Church from 1.30p.m. on Friday 21st July 2023.

The Tiger Who Came to Tea



Whittingham
C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our toddler and nursery sessions of Adventure Babies are extremely successful and the children loved their 'Rainbow Fish' adventure last month. This month's session is the wonderful story, The Tiger Who Came to Tea

There are a limited number of places left for the toddler part (18 months to 3 years) of our session.

Please note - This month the session will be on a different day- Thursday 29th June 9.30 a.m.- 10.15a.m. £2.50 per child. Parents/ Carers are free!

Please contact the office 01665574222 to book a place.

Judith Kerr

SHOW THEM WHAT YOU'VE GOT!

Talent Show



Whittingham
C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

SINGING, DANCING, MAGIC
TRICKS & MORE.



Whittingham
C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL



Whittingham C of E Primary School are pleased to invite all pupils who attend our school to the first ever **Whittingham's Got Talent!**

Whittingham Memorial Hall 5.30 - 7.00
Friday 14th July.

Entry forms will be emailed out very soon and need to be returned by Monday 26th June.

All acts need to rehearse beforehand and bring their own props / resources.

Entries welcome from individuals and groups and the act should last between 2 and 5 minutes.

Entry to watch the show is £2 per adult. Children under 14 are free. There is no charge to enter the show.

There will be a bar selling soft and alcoholic drinks and a raffle.

Donations of raffle prizes welcome.