



# Headteacher's Blog

Friday 10th January 2020.



Dear Parents/ Carers and Friends of Whittingham Primary School,  
Welcome to our first Blog of 2020 and we also welcome new starters Penny, James and River to our school. I hope you all managed to have some rest and relaxation amongst the business of Christmas. Hopefully, you will have managed to see many of our children feature in the local newspaper, the Northumberland Gazette. If you missed anything we always display our efforts and achievements in the school entrance corridor. you are welcome to take a look.

If you wish to help in school or have any ideas of ways in which the school can be any better please contact me.

Kind regards,

Belinda Athey - Headteacher.



## Chromebooks

As I mentioned before the holidays, we had received funding for 10 Chromebooks. A further 20 Chromebooks have been purchased, so that we are well on our way to reaching our target of a Chromebook per child in KS2. This will enable our children to be especially well prepared for Secondary School as they are used extensively there. I am hoping to find further funds for this to happen. Please support us by using these fundraising schemes. If you know of a business who is interested in sponsoring us or a scheme that match funds please let me know. I will also be looking to ensure that Class 1 have sufficient laptops and i pads so that there are fantastic facilities for all pupils and we will be trialling a new larger interactive whiteboard. If this is successful we will be looking to purchase and install one at a cost of over £3500. We also hope to buy a laptop charging trolley to keep our new equipment safe and secure.



## Reminders -

Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle to school every day.

Please read regularly with your child.

All children from Y1 -Y6 have a log in for the online learning programme Sumdog and I hope to set up a Sumdog ASC very soon so watch out for a letter next week.

## Future dates -

Next week our dates letter for the term will be out. Events include Stay and Play, Class 1 and Class 3 assembly, Easter Service and our PTA Fundraiser monthly Movie Night. Please wish us luck to our football team travel to Gosforth on Wednesday to take part in the Danone Newcastle and Northumberland Schools Cup!

## Art Installation

Thank you for your wonderful comments regarding our new artwork installations. They certainly brighten up a dreary January day! The children in KS 2 worked extremely hard on them.