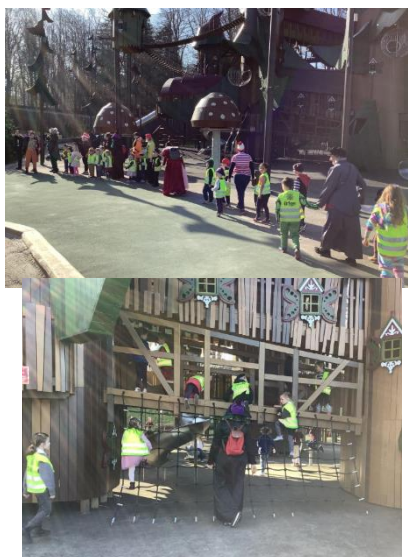




Whittingham
C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

April/ May's newsletter

Welcome to this month's newsletter - a round-up of all the wonderful achievements, events and developments across our school recently. Due to the Easter holidays, this version is to cover April and May.



World Book Day

Our school looks forward to taking part in World Book Day and this year was no exception. To celebrate literacy and the wonderful world of books, we had several events and activities taking place both inside and outside of school. Our EYFS and Class children went to Lilidorei where they heard a story in the story telling area, had to search the forest for clues to make their own stories and then we got to play on the play area before returning back to school. What a fabulous morning we had!

Amongst other activities such as dressing as a favourite book characters, we also had our 'Masked Reader' challenge where staff and members of the wider school and village community recorded themselves in fancy dress/ a mask reading a book. The children got some clues and had to use their detective skills to work out who each masked character was. The day was a great success!



Masked Reader clues

Aln Alliance

Our school has always worked well with other schools in the area of Alnwick (and even beyond) to ensure that we maintain very high standards and progression for our children and their development. With that, over several months now, we have entered into a partnership with several specific other schools in the area that are like-minded and work well with us. This is known as the Aln Alliance and means that we as a school work in a strong and progressive collaboration with these other schools whilst maintaining our independence and identity as a school in our own right.

Already we have met as school staff, Headteachers, governing bodies and we have hosted joint events such as a football tournament and, most recently, writing moderations across several schools. This has been very beneficial and we look forward to developing this even further!



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Easter

To celebrate Easter, as well as studying the Easter story from different aspects across school, we have also had additional events from crafts to animals and a special visitor.

We were fortunate to have one of our school governors, Jayne Saul, run an Easter crafts session which proved to be popular once again. Thank you to Jayne.

We'd also like to thank Mr Drummond who very kindly brought in some lambs to EYFS where they interacted with them and even fed them.

Our wonderful Rev Rich also led our Easter Service, which was yet again well attended and enjoyed in celebrating our community and our Easter festivities.

And finally, in addition to everything else, we had a special visitor who left some chocolate eggs scattered around school – the Easter Bunny must have known how hard we have been working across school!



Parliament Assembly

Our KS2 children have recently had a special visitor, Miss Warrior, from UK Parliament Services who came to discuss how our UK Parliament actually works and how much it actually effects around us. Our children knew a great deal and much of our work on British Values shone through. Not only this, but there were some excellent questions and discussions within this session to develop our knowledge and understanding even further.



From all the staff at Whittingham C of E Primary School, thank you for your continued support.

Mr Charlton – Deputy Headteacher