



**Whittingham**  
C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Weekly Headteacher's Blog

## Welcome Back

We hope you had a lovely half term break with your families. Our Autumn Term newsletter remains current, with the exception of a change to the date for Children in Need is 18th November. The Pupil Voice will be sending out information about how we are fundraising for this charity very soon. We have some sporting events for both KS1 and KS2 (Years 1 and 2 and Years 3, 4 and 5). If your child is involved you will receive a letter directly.

Please help us to continue to provide excellent activities out of the classroom by helping to contribute to transport or the cost of entrance fees to museums and events as the school budget cannot afford to continue to subsidise for all these extras. Contribution towards transport costs to Willowburn for Classes 1, 2 and 3 is only £10.00 per child this half term. We currently do not charge for musical instrument hire, music tuition or cookery ingredients but may need to in the future so any new fundraising ideas are appreciated.

Please also support PTA events. Air Ambulance collection is Monday 1pm loading the van followed by a PTA meeting in school. Please join us.

## Christmas Performances

We will have two different performances this year. Year One and Early Years will perform Upsie Daisy Fairy. Following feedback from previous years regarding the younger children returning for an evening performance we have made this daytime performance. Year Two, Three, Four and Five will perform Aladdin. Further details to follow.

## School Photographer

The School Photographer will be in school next week. Please ensure your children are in their school uniform and are ready to pose!

## Scholastic Book Club

Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/whittingham> to browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your order online by November 11th, 2016.

## Attendance

As you will know Governors are monitoring this closely and we have a school target of 95% attendance. Well done to Year 4 who achieved this target last half term.

## General reminders-

**Messy Church Saturday 5th November.**

Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school. Class 2 and 3 are swimming this half term and Class 1 are using the specialist gymnastic facilities.

Find out more about our school on the school website [www.whittinghamprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.whittinghamprimaryschool.co.uk). Follow us on Twitter @whittinghamCoFE

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<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

[www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety)

[www.childnet.com/resources/know-it-all-for-parents](http://www.childnet.com/resources/know-it-all-for-parents)

[www.kidsmart.org.uk/parents/](http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/parents/)