

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to the Blog for this week. As always, any suggestions or questions are very welcome. Contact us by either calling into the office, by email or by using the suggestions box located in the main school entrance. Kind Regards, Belinda Athey - Headteacher.

Reminder about sports provision and our MUGA

Please remember we use Primary Sports Funding to cover the cost of tuition and transport to Willowburn. Any money left over or raised through sports club will enable us to ensure we continue to buy in specialist coaches where appropriate. We have £60,000 towards our MUGA. Working with different companies to quote for the work and to get a MUGA installed alone is likely to cost £100,000 so we have a little way to go. Mrs Kennedy and the team are working hard to access different funding streams. Following planning and permissions granted from Sports England we are still hopeful to have a MUGA installed for the new term. Now we are not expecting to have building work on the field before the Summer Holidays the date for Sports Day remains the same. At the last PTA meeting it was suggested we sell refreshments so if you can bake or help on the day please let Julia Dods know.

Reminders -

The blue Tooth Fairy Cushion has disappeared. Please could everyone have a look at home to see if it is there so we can continue to use it for school. Please check your school uniform as we have a lost jumper with Ryan's name on it and a lost hoodie with Joseph's name on it.

End of day arrangements-

If your child is to go home with another parent or designated person please let school know directly as we need to know to ensure we keep children safe and ensure they go home in the correct way.

Nursery finishes at 3p.m. not 3.15 p.m. It is important that this is adhered to so that we are able to staff the end of day arrangements for the whole school correctly and keep children safe. Pick up for nursery children after 3p.m will be at the main entrance at the front of school.

Text Messages -

Currently our text message provider charges are quite high. Every time we send a text it costs school £3.00. For non urgent messages we will tweet the information which will then appear on the main page of the school website for those people who do not follow @WhittinghamCofE . Please Turn Over.



We have had a lovely week celebrating Walk to School Week and National Outdoors Day. Thank you to everyone who supported us by encouraging their children to walk more and wear their favourite shoes for charity on Tuesday. Thank you to Mrs Maule for organising this. We are very mindful of the benefits both physically and for our mental well-being so at the Governors meeting this week we discussed further opportunities for all children learning outdoors from September. We are looking at the suitability of our possibly starting a Prince William Award (Rather like a young Duke of Edinburgh Award) for the older children from September. Please enjoy some photos taken from this week. As always copies will be on the school website.

