



## Great Whelnetham Church of England Primary School

# Newsletter

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Dear Parents

### Enrichment Day

Kagera Day last Friday was enjoyed by everyone in school and on behalf of the children I would like to thank the staff for planning and preparing the day so well. I have heard so many positive comments about the day so thank you.

On Friday the children raised a fabulous £130 for the Diocese Kagera Lent Appeal. On Wednesday the Kagera Day assembly was well attended by friends, family and governors of the school. We hope you enjoyed the African dancing, the music and admired the beautiful signs of forgiveness and Swahili word mats as well as the brilliant African animal masks created by the children.



If you were unable to join us on Wednesday, there is a display of examples of the work in the school hall and the slideshow of the day in the front foyer—just drop in!

The final total after the children's assembly being sent to Kagera is now £179.22. Thank you all so much for your generosity—it is very much appreciated.

### Parking outside School

As you are aware, we are trying very hard to minimise parking issues for parents at drop off and at the end of day but we need your cooperation as well. One of our parents has quite rightly alerted us to the fact some parents of Reception/Key Stage 1 children are not making a sharp exit to free up spaces for parents of older children, but are instead chatting outside school or on the playground, while children play on the field. Whilst this is tempting, especially in this lovely weather, please can we ask that you consider the needs of others. We are lucky to have the play facilities at the Community Centre and I would encourage you to park and play there.

We would also like to see as many parents as possible parking and walking from the Centre and we hope to see our newly-located bike shelter full of bikes once we return from the Easter break.

### Parents' Evenings attendance

Thank you for attending Parents Evening on Wednesday or Thursday - both were well attended at 91%.

Finally all the staff would like to thank you for your support this term. We wish everyone a happy, relaxing holiday and look forward to seeing all the children back to school on Wednesday 19th April. Happy Easter.

Kath Parkin

Headteacher



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