



Great Whelnetham Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents

We were delighted to welcome so many of you to our Parents' Evening last week. We hope that you found the format of the evening helpful. More importantly we hope that you found your meeting with your child's teacher extremely beneficial and that you have agreed upon how you can work together to help your child to achieve the best possible outcomes *'By growing together, we become the best we can be'.*

Science Week Report

As part of our Science Week on Tuesday 13th March the whole school dressed up as 'Mad Scientists' The children thoroughly enjoyed a day full of experiments from launching rockets, mixing various chemicals, making slime, exploding coke bottles, cleaning coins and exploring how to write using invisible ink! It was incredibly rewarding to see so many children engaged, full of curiosity and asking scientific questions. I would like to extend a huge thank you to all parents who helped support their child in creating such amazing outfits!

On Wednesday 14th our Year 4 class joined children from other primary schools within the Bury School Partnership, for a morning of interactive activities based on the science curriculum at King Edward Upper School. Please see the article in the Bury Free Press 16/03/2018.

On Thursday 15th Dr Steve Hubbard of RobotFun gave us all a demonstration of some of his robots, which proved to be very exciting! Further details will follow with reference to a Robotics afterschool club. (Many thanks to Amy Southerhill who kindly supplied the contact details). Please look at the website for all the photos of our budding scientists! Thank you for your support in helping to make our Science week such a super success!

Claire Masson, Science Lead Coordinator



Bags2School

We recently sent home plastic clothes bags next with the request that over the course of the next few weeks you fill them with good quality clothes, shoes, bags, jewellery, soft toys, curtains etc (you will find a list of acceptable items on the letter sent home with the bags) and then return the bags to school first thing on the morning of Wednesday 18th April when they will be collected. This is a really easy way for the PTFA to raise funds for the school and we do hope that you will 'clear out that clutter' over the Easter holidays for us. It is also acceptable to fill black bin liners if you have more than one bag to fill.

Key Stage 2 Gymnastics Competition

We are delighted to report that our KS2 gymnasts secured 2nd place (silver) at a recent competition. They all performed extremely well and we are very proud of them! Congratulations and well done!

Easter Holiday Camp

A & M Multisports are running 3 days of camp over the Easter holidays and forms to apply for places have already been sent home with the children.



Music Concert

Our young musicians had the opportunity to perform in front of family members at a short concert last week. It was lovely to witness how all their hard work has paid off—very well done to you all!

Rocksteady Music Concert

Pupils participating in weekly band practice have been working hard and having so much fun under the tuition of Vincent Jewell of Rock Steady Music. Parents of these children are invited to watch them perform at a concert at **2.30pm on Friday 23rd March.**

Easter Bingo

It is not too late to purchase your tickets and dabbers for the annual PTFA Easter Bingo event at the Community Centre at 6.00pm on Friday 23rd March. More details can be found on our website and via the posters around the school and we do hope that you will come along and support us.

Easter Service

We would like to extend a warm welcome to you to join us for our Easter Service on Thursday 29th March at 9.30am in the school hall.

A reminder that we break up for the Easter holidays on Thursday 29th March and children return to school on Tuesday 17th April.

Kath Parkin

Headteacher



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