



Great Whelnetham Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents

We hope that you are enjoying this surprisingly hot weather and that both you and your child/ren are have settled back nicely into the school routine and their new classes.

Home School Agreement

Educating children is very much a 3-way process , when input is required not just from the school but from the children and you as parents/carers. We are sending home 2 copies of our Home-School Agreement. We ask that once you have read this, and gone through the children's section with your child, that you sign and return the black and white copy to the school office

Emergency Contact Form

Please could you complete and return this to school so that the information we have is up to date in case of illness or emergency. If you are confident that there has been no changes, we are happy for you to indicate this on the form and then sign and return it to us.

Photographic Consent Form

Please complete and return this form so that we have very clear instructions from you regarding photographs of your child.

Please also note the restrictions regarding photography and videoing by parents/carers and ensure that this is communicated to any family members who may attend events during the school year.

Chinese Club

We are very fortunate to be able to offer Chinese lessons at our school. Mrs Charlotte Cotton runs the club during Monday lunchtimes where children are able to learn about a culture very different to our own and to speak, read and write the language. The club takes place in Robins Class, providing space and privacy. The club is split into 2 groups, Years 1-3 in the first group and Years 4-6 in the second. Lessons for the whole term cost £35.75. If your child is interested in attending and you would like them start, they are most welcome to come along to the next lesson on Monday. Please let Mrs Kimber know if this is the case or if you would like any more information.

Payment for school lunches

We are grateful that more parents are paying for lunches online. Please could we ask that for those of you paying on a weekly basis, that the money/cheque payable to Suffolk County Council be placed in a sealed envelope which clearly states the name of your child, their class, the amount enclosed and the days it relates to.

** Special Lunch Day** Thursday 6th October

To promote the uptake of school lunches, we are having a special lunch day later in the term. Please put this date in your diary. More details to follow!

Transition

It is strange to think that we are only just starting a new academic year however our Year 6 pupils and parents will have to apply for a place at their next school with in the next month.

The aim for King Edward VI School, Sybil Andrews Academy and St Benedict's Catholic School is to create a smooth transition from primary to secondary school for children with in the Bury Schools Partnership. They are committed to working together to achieve this. Some of the main activities on offer and important dates for your diary are on display in the Cabin and Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 will bring a copy of this calendar home, additionally it is available on the school website and Bury Schools Partnership website. We will endeavour to include these activities in our regular newsletters.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 21st September - Andy Prestoe Principal of Sybil Andrews

1pm - assembly to Year 6

6pm - meeting with parents

Wednesday 28th September – David Gower of King Edwards

1.30 – assembly to Year 6

6pm – meeting with parents

Please indicate if you are able to attend by completing and returning the slip below.

To Great Whelnetham School

Child's Name _____ Year 6

I will be attending the Information Evenings as detailed below:

Wednesday 21st September at 6pm YES/NO

Wednesday 28th September at 6pm YES/NO

Name _____ Date _____

Kath Parkin

Headteacher