

Great Whelnetham Church of England Primary School

'By growing together, we become the best we can be'



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Dear Parents

I would like to thank the children, families and staff of Great Whelnetham School for making me feel so welcome this week. It has been a hugely rewarding experience being part of your school community and gaining an insight into the lives of the young people who all make us so proud. Please do continue to communicate directly with school if you have any questions or concerns that we can help with.

We have had a really busy start to this second half of the summer term. Pupils in Year 2 have completed their SATS Tests and Phonics Assessments have been carried out on children in Year 1. Lower Key Stage 2 will be learning their lines and songs for their Special Assembly to parents taking place on 13th July at 9.30am. Years 5 and 6 are now busy rehearsing for the Upper Key Stage 2 production which takes place in July, prior to their residential trip to Aylmerton Field Study Centre.

We are all enjoying the lovely weather and pleased to be able to make good use of our playground and very spacious field area. Markings for Sports Day have been applied to the field and classes are practising for Sports Day which takes place next Friday, 22nd June details of which have been sent out in a separate newsletter. We do hope to see as many of you there as possible to cheer your child and their team on!

New Parents Evening

We would like to remind the parents of children who will be starting in Wrens Class in September to come along to our New Parents Evening on Wednesday 20th June at 7.00pm. There will be presentations from key staff and the chance to ask any questions you may have. We look forward to meeting you then.

Club and Music Lesson Availability

We are pleased to be able to offer, Football (girls and boys), Athletics and Multisports Clubs after school this term. There are still a few spaces left and if your child is interested in joining, please ask for details at the office.

Looking ahead to September, once our now very grown up Year 6's move on to their upper schools, Mrs Snelling will have some spaces for violin and piano lessons. These are parent-paid lessons which take place during the school day. Please give this some thought and contact the office accordingly.

Summer Fayre—Friday 6th July

The PTFA Summer Fayre is fast approaching and they will be sending out a separate newsletter detailing the fun activities they have in store and how you can help. Please, please do support this event in any way you can. The PTFA raise much needed funds for the school—in fact they have recently made a very generous donation for which we are immensely grateful.

There is a rota in the main entrance. Please could we ask you to put your name down to man a stall, to set up or clean away or even all three! It is great fun being involved this way and very rewarding at the same time.

Key Stage 1 trip to the Museum of East Anglian Life - a report from Mrs Masson

On Thursday 7th June Robins and Larks jumped back in time and dressed as Victorians to experience life as a Victorian child on a visit to the Museum of East Anglian Life. We had a lesson in an authentic Victorian classroom, where we wrote on slates with chalk; the head master was very strict! We also experienced how hard it was to do washing with no electricity using our hands and a mangle!

I was very proud of all our children; their behaviour was exceptional and had been praised by the general public.

I would like to thank all the staff and the parent helpers who accompanied us to make the trip so successful and memorable.





Matthew Kittle

Interim Headteacher



















Values for Life: Compassion, Courage, Friendship, Trust, Truthfulness, Hope, Peace, Thankfulness, Creativity, Forgiveness, Humility and Justice.