



Great Whelnetham Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Working to keep your school safe

Our JRSO's met with Councillor Karen Soons and members of SCC Highways to look at ways to improve safety outside of our school. We are very grateful for their support and hope to be able to report back soon on progress made.



£1 Coins

Please could we remind you that we will be unable to accept old £1 coins in payment for lunches, trips etc with immediate effect and that any sent in to school will be returned to the sender. Whilst they are no longer legal tender, we understand that it will still be possible for you to change them at your bank.

Questionnaires

A huge thank you to those parents who have completed and returned the behaviour questionnaires we recently sent home. Please can we urge those of you who have not already done so to send them in by Wednesday 18th October.

PTFA Meeting

We had a really good turn out at our meeting this week with lots of support offered. I am please to announce the following appointments:

Chair—Mona Kvanka

Vice Chair— Lottie Budgen

Secretary—Lucy Ireland

Treasurer—Angela Kimber

The next meeting of the PTFA will take place on Tuesday 7th November at 2.30pm in the school hall. This time seems to be more convenient to most and I do hope that you will be able to come along as we will be planning the Christmas Fair. The saying 'many hands make light work' really does apply to the PTFA. Thank you!

Holiday Club

We are pleased that A & M Mulitsports will be running Holiday Clubs at our school for 3 full days during half term. These themed clubs sound terrific fun and we do hope that this will prove helpful to our parents who are having to juggle work and childcare during the holidays as well as a super day out for our children! See separate leaflet for details.

Harvest Festival

Just to clarify that the confirmed date for Harvest Festival is Thursday 19th October 9.30am in the school hall. Parents, friends and family are invited to attend this celebration. The date for this was originally Monday 16th October and although this was changed via our newsletter on 23rd September, I wanted to ensure that was no confusion.

We would be grateful for donations of non-perishable foods, which the children could bring in with them that morning. We will then take your kind donations to the Gatehouse Foodbank in Bury St Edmunds. Gatehouse is working in partnership with other organisations, churches and individuals throughout Bury, supported by local County and Borough Councillors providing three days of emergency food to local people in crisis. Those in need are identified by local care professionals and they also signpost people to organisations able to help solve the longer term problem.

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