



# Great Whelnetham Church of England Primary School

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

## Newsletter

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Dear Parents

### Enrichment Contribution

Early in the new academic year we ask for a one-off £10 per child contribution towards various activities at school. These activities might include practitioner visits, cookery or special events or themed activity days. Last year our Art Enrichment Day, 'Celebrating Suffolk Artists – Past and Present' was especially popular. We will be running a history-themed day later this term, the planning for which is now well under way. This will be followed by an Advent-themed day and then in the spring term an MFL (Modern Foreign Languages) day will take place. Other enrichment days are planned to the end of the academic year. We would therefore be most grateful to receive your contribution, with cheques payable to Suffolk County Council. A reply slip at the end is attached for this purpose. Thank you so much for supporting us in this way!

### Attendance Matters

Regular attendance at school is vital to help children achieve and get the best possible start in life. We wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of our absence procedures. Unless prior authorisation has been obtained, a child's absence will be marked as unauthorised.

To enable us to authorise an absence due to illness, please write to the school or email the office upon your child's return, to confirm the dates and the reason for the absence.

Parents are requested to schedule medical/dental appointments for their child outside of the school day wherever possible. If you are unable to do this, the school will require written evidence of the appointment (e.g. an appointment card or letter) before the absence can be authorised.

We ask that these confirmations be sent promptly and no later than the end of the half term within which the absence falls and to note that reminder letters will not be sent out from the office to chase.

### Flu Immunisation Update

If your child is in years R-5 and missed the vaccination clinic at school recently, there is still the possibility of having the vaccination at one of the local catch-up sessions. Please call the Nursing Team on 01473 599140 for more details.

### **School Matters!**



## Data Collection Forms

You should all have now received data collection forms specifying the information we hold on your child. It is essential that this information is correct, especially with the recent GDPR legislation and we would like to thank those parents who have returned their forms, detailing any amendments or confirming the information is up to date. If you have not already returned your form to us, please could you do so as soon as possible.

## Other Forms

Please could we also ask your assistance in returning the following forms if you have not already done so:

- Consent Form for photographs, Videos and Local Visits
- Media Consent Form
- Use of Parents' Contact Details Form

We would like to wish you all a super half term break and look forward to working with you again for what always proves to be a very hectic but very enjoyable time at school.

To Great Whelnetham School

### **ENRICHMENT CONTRIBUTION**

Child/ren's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose a £10 contribution for each child—amount enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Kath Parkin*

Headteacher



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