



Great Whelnetham CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have enjoyed the recent sunny weather. We are excited about all the upcoming events and activities in the last busy weeks of the term.

Well Done to Our Year Two Pupils!

Massive congratulations to our Year two pupils who have successfully completed their SATs over the month of May. We have been so impressed with their confidence, perseverance and positive attitude. Thank you to Miss Tyler and Mrs Milner for preparing them so well and to our families who have supported throughout the year.

Eco-Council Update

Recently, we have been awarded the Eco-Schools Green Flag accreditation (part of Keep Britain Tidy). The award recognises the good environmental practices which are taking place at our school and our commitment to protecting the planet. It acknowledges, rewards and celebrates the ecological achievements of our young people and provides them with the confidence and motivation needed to continue actively engaging with environmental issues throughout their lifetimes. Thank you to staff, pupils and our family community for all your support over the school year. We are excitedly waiting for our digital stamps and logos, as well as our Eco-schools flag!

Character Creations

A massive well done to all our pupils who entered the Character Creations competition earlier this term. A wonderful competition that aims to raise money for 'Home Start' – Suffolk's largest family support charity. Out of hundreds of entries we had a handful of pupils shortlisted and one child who achieved a runner up award! Well done to Poppy Frost for your superb entry. All pupils will receive a participation certificate and Poppy has a prize on the way – Part of this is having her own character printed on a her very own t-shirt! Please use the link to view all runners up and the two winners across the county.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zgu4fLDBwgA>

Personal Social Health Education (PSHE) Parental Feedback Forms

A sincere thank you to those parents who took the time to fill in and return our PSHE parental response forms. We have collated responses and taken on board your feedback. We will be organising a parent information session in the Autumn term that will be open to all parents who wish to come and learn more about how we teach and deliver PSHE in school. In the meantime, we have detailed topic overviews and progression documents for all subjects (PSHE included) on our school website. If you have any questions about this, please speak to Mrs Masson (PSHE lead), class teachers or Mr Varela.

School Library

If you would like to visit the library – it is open every Friday after school from 3:15 – 4:00pm. Enter through Miss Tyler's classroom. It has been wonderful to see so many of you exploring and enjoying new books and taking some home to share with the wider family.

Ms Robson recommendations

Key Stage Two comedy book = The secret Life of Teachers

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Nonfiction fun = Planet Earth (551)

Family share = Mixed up Fairy Tales (free look box)

Safeguarding Update

This month's safeguarding update focusses on Online Safety. The film looks at what is important in digital parenting and shares some resources that may be useful when creating digital safety at home. If you have any questions about online safety, please speak to Mr Varela who is our Online Safeguarding Lead. Alternatively, if you have any questions relating to any of our safeguarding features please do come and speak to Mr Varela or Mrs Flatman.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xWLB1q82v1w>

Dates for your Diary

20th June – Y5/6 Girls Rounders

21st June – New Parents Meeting

26th June - Owls/Swans Class trip to Go Ape

27th June – Y1-6 Quadkids athletics

28th June – Owls Class to Bury APEX for WTEC Music Festival

29th June – Whole School and Class Photos

4th July - Larks/Robins Class trip to Banham Zoo

4th July – KS2 Afternoon performance – Pirates of the Curry Bean

5th July – KS2 Evening performance – Pirates of the Curry Bean

7th July – PTFA Coffee Morning

10th July – Water Fight Afternoon

10th July – Y1/2 All Stars Cricket Tournament

12th July – Move up Morning

13th July – Sports Day

14th July – Y6 Leavers Assembly

14th July – Reports sent home

14th July – Summer Fete (PTFA)

20th July – Last Day of Term

Best Wishes

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