

WHITLEY MEMORIAL C of E AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL



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'Let your light shine' – Matthew 5:16

Our Current Core Value: Trust

05/11/21

Dear Whitley Family,

Welcome back to our second half-term of the year and hasn't it gone cold and dark all of a sudden. I hope that everyone had a lovely half-term break and had a chance to do some exciting activities and possibly relax! It will be Christmas before we know it and time is going to fly.



Attendance

Congratulations to Yellow class who are the winners with 99%. Morpeth were in second place.

Parent Consultation Evenings

Following the advice from Northumberland County Council, on 22/10/21, we are unfortunately unable to hold our parent evening appointments face to face anymore. The appointments will now be by telephone. The teacher will aim to ring you at the same time and day as previously arranged. (If you have not received a time, please contact the class teacher.) The teacher will phone you on the number that we have on record for you. Please inform us if you require us to use a different telephone number.

Punctuality

We are having increasing amounts of children who are either late for school or being collected early, at the end of the day. It is really important that children spend the whole of the day in school as learning begins at 8.55am and ends at 3.10pm. Your child will be missing essential learning time if they are not punctual.

If your child is late you need to fill in the **late register** that is in the Reception area.

Breakfast Club

From Monday, the starting time of Breakfast Club is changing to **8.00am** with last service being at **8.20am**. Remember that the aim of Breakfast Club is for children to eat breakfast in order to have a good start to their day.

Uniform and Earrings

If your child is not able to attend school in the correct uniform or PE uniform for any reason, please contact the child's class teacher. Your child will be asked to change if they are not in the correct clothes. PE uniform can also be purchased from thekitmen.co.uk. Unfortunately, we are seeing increasing numbers of children not wearing their uniform and wearing branded sports clothing. Please remember that all earrings **must** be removed before attending school. We have plastic earring retainers in school if you need some.

Our uniform policy can be found on our school website.

Remembrance Day

We are still selling poppies and other merchandise from the school office.

On Sunday 14th November, there will be a Remembrance Day service in Bedlington. We would love some children to represent our school at this event. The children would meet Mrs. Robertson at 2pm outside the Salvation Army. The parade starts at 2.15pm followed by a service and wreath laying, I am not sure of the finishing time. Please contact the school office if your child would like to attend and you can also collect an Order of Service from there.

We will be holding our own in-school service with Reverend Ian on Friday. This is just for children however we will post photos on Facebook.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy Fireworks Night. Mrs Gray

