



Witheridge Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents

The children are really engaging in our new merit system and we will soon be giving out our first 20 merit certificates. We celebrate achievement in our Friday assembly. This is an important occasion for us, when we recognise individual children's achievements and contribution for the week. From last Friday, a big WELL DONE to:

Isabel and Amy - Class 4 - for their fantastic newspaper report.

Stacie-May – Class 3 – For great attainment in maths

Oscar – Class 2 – For making a wonderful Superhero

Harry – Class 1 – Great phonics

And a big thank you to: Alby and Holly – Class 2 – for helping to tidy their classroom in their own time.

There are lots of exciting events coming up at our school this term. Below are some dates for your diaries.

Best wishes

Paul Mulligan

Headteacher

Arts Week

11th October – Super Hero Arts Week! For the whole week our children will be involved in creating art based on a Superhero famous artist. Each class will choose an artist, learn about their work and create their own in the style of... It would be great to have some extra hands available during the week, so if you can spare some time please contact your child's teacher, even if it is for the odd hour.

Learn about Phonics

Class 1 and 2 teachers are inviting parents to a workshop session on phonics. This will cover how we teach phonics at school, their importance in learning to read and how you can help at home. Please try to attend. I am sure you will find it really useful. Meet at school at 5.30pm on Thursday 13th October.

Harvest Worship

14th October - Everyone is invited to a Harvest Coffee morning at 9.00am. The children will join us at 9.45am for our Harvest Worship. From tomorrow the School Council will be collecting items of food for the local food bank. Your contribution will be much appreciated.

Spotty Day!

We hope to have lots of spotty children in school for Children in Need day on 18th November. Start planning your spotty moment now!

Reading

We have almost completed assessments of each child's reading across the school. Over the next two weeks we will be providing you with details of the outcomes for your child and advice on how you can support them at home and what we are providing at school.

Goodbye

We are sadly saying goodbye to Jasper, Jemima and Pollyanna who are leaving us at the end of this week. We wish them well in their new school.

Thank You!

I would like to put out a HUGE thanks to Liz our crossing lady, for her immense hard work in keeping everyone safe. I hope you have a lovely retirement. We are now looking for volunteers to take up the post there will be training and uniform provided. If you're interested, pop in and let us know at the School office.

Coffee Morning

The Pre-School would like to invite you along to their MacMillan Coffee Afternoon this Friday 30th September in the School Hall.

Reminder

Can I remind parents to send in a Healthy Snack with their child (FRUIT) for break time. Thank you.

Let's Get Cooking

REMINDER: Key Stage 2 (Class 3 and 4) will be cooking in the afternoons next week. If you would like to join your child for their session please return your reply slip ASAP to let us know your availability. Many thanks.

After school clubs

There are still some spaces at Choir and Art Club for KS2 children. If you would like your child to attend either club please speak to Miss Ratcliffe. Unfortunately, Football Club is now full, however if you would like your child to be added to the reserve list, please speak to Mr Turner.

PTFA

The PTFA are collecting jumble and toys for our Jumble Sale on October 16th, 2-4pm at Witheridge Parish Hall. Please bring Jumble to the school on Tuesday mornings. We are also looking for cakes for a Cake Stall, and Raffle Prizes; could raffle prizes go to the office, and cakes to the Hall on the day, there will be someone there from 11 am. Helpers on the day are also needed, please leave your email or phone number with the office if you would like to donate your time. All money raised will go to the Primary School to provide days out for the children such as: Beach Trips, Christmas Trips, Leavers Gifts, and equipment that the school needs.

Simonsbath Residential

The final payments are now due before the trip on 18th October, so please bring in payment to the school office. Thank you.

Request

Class 2 are hoping to create a raised vegetable patch outside their room. If anyone is willing to help supply some top soil to fill the bed it would be greatly appreciated.

Class 1 are starting work based around 'The Big Bad Wolf', if you have any straw or sawdust you could donate towards the building of a house it would be greatly appreciated.

Newsletter – Wednesday 28th September 2016

Next Week W/B: Monday 3rd October 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
School Photos KS2 cooking	KS2 cooking	KS2 cooking	KS2 cooking	KS2 cooking

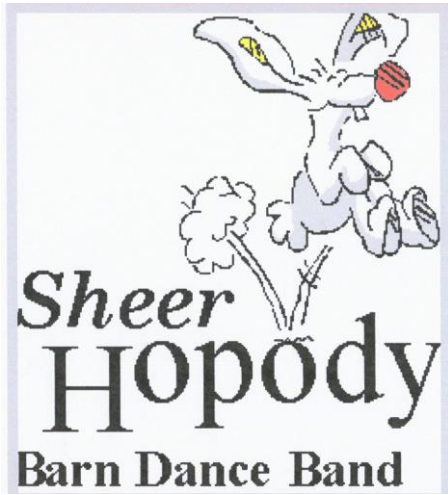
Autumn Term Clubs:

Day	Club	Time	Adult in charge
Monday	Art Club – KS2	3:30 – 4:30 pm	Miss Suchacki
Tuesday	Choir Club – KS2	3:30 – 4:30pm	Miss Ratcliffe
Wednesday	Football club – KS2 Story Club Live – KS1 – Starting 28 th Sep	3:30 – 4:30 pm	Mr Turner Miss Partridge

Dates for Autumn Term:

Friday 30th September – MacMillan Coffee afternoon in the School Hall.
 Saturday 1st October – Messy Church 11-1pm.
 Monday 3rd October – Individual school photos.
 Tuesday 11th October – Super Hero Arts Week.
 Thursday 13th October – Phonics sessions 5:30pm.
 Friday 14th October – Harvest Coffee morning at 9am.
 Saturday 15th October – Witheridge Church Barn Dance 7–10:30pm.
 Sunday 16th October – Jumble sale at the Parish hall 2-4pm.
 Monday 17th October – Bags2School.
 Tuesday 18th October – Parent and teacher meetings.
 Wednesday 19th October – Parent and teacher meetings.
 Tuesday 1st November – PTFA AGM 8-9pm at the Fire Station.
 Monday 7th November – Let's Get Cooking Group 1 3:30-5pm.
 Monday 14th November – Let's Get Cooking Group 2.
 Monday 28th – November – Let's Get Cooking Group 1.
 Monday 5th December – Let's Get Cooking Group 2.

Community Notices:



**SATURDAY 15TH
OCTOBER 2016
7 PM TO 10.30 PM
PARISH HALL
WITHERIDGE**

The Church of St John the Baptist,
Witheridge is hosting a barn dance.
Tickets £10 per adult, children free.
A licensed bar will be available for
snacks and drinks from 7 pm

Tickets available from
Sue Wells 01884 861383



Saturday 1st October 2016

11am - 1pm
at

St John the Baptist Church,
Witheridge.

We would encourage parents to stay
and take part.

For more details and to book your
place, please contact. Sue Wells
01884 861383

School Dinner Menu week commencing 3rd October 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meatballs with tomato sauce, pasta, broccoli and sweetcorn Handmade chocolate cracknel	Macaroni cheese with crusty bread, seasonal vegetables and mixed salad Meringue Nests with Mandarins	Roast gammon, roast or creamed potatoes, carrots, cauliflower and gravy Fresh Fruit Platter	Handmade meat feast pizza, baked beans and salad Chocolate Brownie and Ice Cream	Oven baked fish fingers, chipped potatoes and seasonal vegetables Handmade vanilla biscuit