



Wittersham Church of England Primary School

"On a voyage of discovery: together we learn, grow and achieve"

Dear Parents and Carers,

9th September 2016

Welcome back to a new school year. The children have returned full of news and excitement about their holidays and already seem very settled in their classes. Especially welcome are our new Foundation Stage children in the Windmill class who have quickly impressed us all in how well they have come into school, begun to learn new routines and make new friends.



It was a pleasure to see so many parents drop in to school yesterday for our 'Meet the Teacher' event and a good opportunity for the children to show you around their classrooms. Science club also made a welcomed return and the hall was buzzing with children making and experimenting.

Our attendance and behaviour awards will return next week in our usual Friday Celebration Collective Worship. Each week two children from every class are also chosen for having particularly shown one or more of our school Christian values of respect, kindness, self-worth/perseverance, forgiveness and love. These pupils are recorded in our Golden Book and receive a Headteacher award in front of their peers as role models who exemplify these important values both in and out of the classroom.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Claire Frost *headteacher*

- *Development Day: Monday 5th September 2016*
- *Development Day: Tuesday 6th September 2016*
- *Term Starts: Wednesday 7th September 2016*
- *Term Ends: Friday 21st October 2016*
- *Term Starts: Monday 31st October 2016*
- *Development Day: Friday 25th November 2016*
- *Term Ends: Wednesday 21st December 2016*
- *Bank Holiday: Monday 2nd January 2017*
- *Term Starts: Tuesday 3rd January 2017*
- *Term Ends: Friday 10th February 2017*
- *Term Starts: Monday 20th February 2017*
- *Term Ends: Friday 31st March 2017*
- *Bank Holiday: Monday 17th April*
- *Term Starts: Tuesday 18th April 2017*
- *Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May 2017*
- *Term Ends: Friday 26th May 2017*
- *Term Starts: Monday 5th June 2017*
- *Term Ends: Friday 21st July 2017*

ALBION IN THE COMMUNITY FOOTBALL CLUB is no longer able to provide coaches to run a football club at the school. We are currently looking for other options so watch this space!

Movers and Groovers Club starts on Friday 23rd September.

Music Clubs start on Monday 12th September—see below for details.

Football Club starts back on Wednesday 21st September

Cooking Club for Infants and Juniors starts back on Monday

KS2 Art & Craft Club starts on Tuesday 3.15-4.30

Further information about clubs will follow in due course



Remember **BE SAFE ONLINE**— To report any suspected online abuse of your children, use the link shown, which is on the bottom of every page on the school website



The Wittersham School Association would like to welcome everyone to the start of this school year. We have lots of fun and exciting activities coming up to help raise funds throughout the year, so watch this space.

A date for your diary: **Thursday 22nd Sept - Coffee Morning** to meet other parents, in the school hall

straight after drop off.

Everyone welcome, so please pop in for a chat.

I look forward to meeting you.

Miriam (WSA Chairperson)



Music Clubs—children may sign up on the music noticeboard, parents may see Mrs Baverstock re instruments.

Y3 Beginners Recorder Wed 3.15-4.15
Beginners Ukulele Wed 12.30-1.00

Y4/5 Senior Recorder Wed 3.15-4.15
Guitar Fri 12.30-1.00

Y5 Metallophone Mon 12.30-1.00

Y5/6 Senior Guitar/Keyboard/Band
Tue 3.15-4.15

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Our school Christian values:

"Respect, kindness, self-worth/perseverance, forgiveness and love"