



Wittersham Church of England Primary School

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

5th October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Harvest Festival was a very joyous occasion and a lovely chance for the families and children to give thanks together. I thought the class performances were wonderful with Windmills and Smugglers making very exotic birds in their headdresses! Thanks to Jennifer Maynard for accompanying the singing of our hymns on the church organ and also to you all for the amazing array of donations. Cynthia Cleverdon's impressive organisation skills meant that Rother were able to deliver lots of Harvest boxes across Wittersham, Appledoor and Stone and the school has already received some very touching cards and letters from the recipients detailing how pleased they were to be thought of.



Mrs Elgar attended the Tenterden Arts Society meeting on Tuesday to exhibit our children's art work and receive a cheque and certificate for the school.

The collaborative piece which was done with a visiting artist and pupils across the school



will be exhibited in Smallhythe gallery in November. We will advise of dates once they are confirmed so you can visit!

In our commitment to develop children's critical literacy skills, the school has subscribed to **Picture News** to help develop their understanding and appreciation of the news. The school resources for this will be used in a number of ways across the curriculum but we will also be sharing the 'Big Question' of the week with you on a Friday for you to use for discussion at home if you wish. This is not extra homework and we don't expect anything to be handed in! Having age-appropriate conversations with your child keeps them interested and informed

about what's happening in the world. They move from wanting to know what happens in MY world to what is happening in THE world and their place in it. We are confident that the children will enjoy this new opportunity and that it will feed into a number of skills as well linking with our British and Christian Values.

I hope you have a great weekend.

Claire Frost - Headteacher

SPORTS CLUB

Time Change

On Wed 10th Oct

the after school sports club will finish at 4pm



Lunchtime Exemplary Behaviour Award:



KS1— Gracie K & Poppy
KS2— Charlie W
Nominated by our Midday Leaders



House Points

WINNING HOUSE:

LEEDS

Congratulations

Is your child due to start school in September 2019?



OPEN EVENTS

Wednesday, 31st October –10am

Wednesday, 21st November –10am

Thursday, 6th December – 2pm

Open Events are an ideal opportunity to see the school in action and meet our team of dedicated staff.

This Week's Golden Christian Values' Winners

Windmill— Primrose & Jessica

Smugglers— Summer & Ethan-George

Viking— Megan & Charlie

Oxney— Kevin & Zack

Rother— Macy & Bobby

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

PARENT CONSULTATIONS	Wed, 17th & Thu, 18th October
DEVELOPMENT DAY (School Closed)	Friday, 19th October 18
BRAISWICK PHOTOS	Monday, 29th October 18—am
OPEN MORNING for Intake 2019	Wed, 31st October 28—10am
AUTHOR VISIT— Brain Moses	Friday, 9th November 18
CHILDREN IN NEED Homewood Dance Dash	Friday, 16th November 18
WSA CHRISTMAS FAIR	Saturday, 17th November—3pm
OPEN MORNING for Intake 2019	Wed, 21st November 18—10am
OPEN AFTERNOON for Intake 2019	Thur, 6th December 18—2pm
RYE LANTERNS FESTIVAL	Saturday, 8th December 18
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY	Friday, 14th December 18
CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICE	Wednesday, 19th December 18



Attendance Cup
last week went to:

VIKING

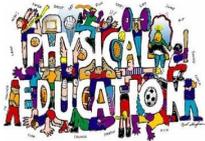
With 99.1% Attendance
WELL DONE!



Tidiest Cloakroom
Award
WINDMILLS

REMINDER

School Dinner Money
Could all accounts be paid
by the end of this term
Thank you



Tuesday saw the start of our Kent School games tournaments for 2018/9, with a year 3/4 Dodgeball Tournament at Towers School. The tournament was a success for Wittersham, not just on the field, but also in an officiating capacity. This was because two year 6 members of our 'School Sports Organising

Crew' (SSOC), umpired five of the matches. This is a first, I think, for any of the Kent School Games Tournaments since we have been involved, so a special congratulations to Chloe B and Chloe L, for being such fantastic role models for Wittersham School.

As I said earlier, we were also successful on the pitch, with Wittersham Twos finishing 10th out of 24 teams, and Wittersham Ones finishing second, losing a very close fought final 2 – 1. Well done to all involved, let's hope we can continue to raise Wittersham School's profile over the coming academic year.

Dean Hawkins



Parents and Carers

A big thank you to all of you who have donated items for our Jumble Sale, which we are holding on 6th October from 10-12pm in the school hall. We have some amazing bargains and you never know what you'll find, so please join us. If you haven't yet managed a clear out of clothes, bedding, towels, cuddly toys, handbags and matching shoes you still have time to do so over the weekend. Our Bags 2 School will be collected next Wednesday (10th) at 9am. Both the Jumble Sale and Bags 2 School are good money spinners for the WSA funds, so please support us. We really appreciate it as we know everyone leads very busy lives! Hope to see you on Saturday.



Kate (Chair WSA)

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