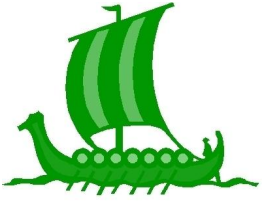


Wittersham Church of England Primary School

'On a voyage of discovery: flourishing together in God's love'



**Welcome to the
Wittersham Weekly!
Friday 11th October**



We've had a productive week here at Wittersham, with a special highlight being a visit from our Chair of Governors, Mr. Collins. He began his visit by joining us for collective worship and later took time to explore the school, where he observed some fantastic maths learning in progress.

During his visit, Mr. Collins spoke with myself and Mrs. Scott, taking the opportunity to see firsthand the vibrant learning environment our children and staff have worked so hard to create. It was a great chance to showcase the many exciting initiatives and developments we've been working on since the start of the academic year. We are fortunate to have such a close and supportive relationship with our Governors, and we look forward to continuing this collaborative work.

As we look ahead to next week, we are excited about the upcoming **Harvest Festival** on **Monday, 14th October at 9am**. We encourage everyone to bring any donations to the church to support this important cause. It's a lovely way for our school community to give back and reflect on the values compassion and cooperation.

In addition, please be reminded that **parents' evening booking** will go live next week. We will be adding a letter on Dojo with more details. We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their achievements.

I'd like to extend a big thank you for your support with the upcoming change in school day timings. As a reminder, this will begin on **November 4th**, with the school day finishing at **3:15 p.m.** for all year groups. We truly appreciate your cooperation in helping us implement these changes smoothly. Please also keep an eye out for updates on our new **breakfast club**, which will start in Term 2, offering an exciting option for early morning care.

Did anyone catch the **Northern Lights** this week? It was such a rare and beautiful sight, filling the skies with color and a sense of wonder—a truly spiritual moment for many of us. It's experiences like these that remind us of the awe-inspiring world we live in, and I hope it brought some joy to your week.

It's hard to believe we're already approaching the end of the Term 1 with just two weeks to go! Wishing you all a peaceful and enjoyable weekend ahead. Stay safe, and we look forward to seeing you next week!

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I am thrilled to include a special recount of the recent **Year 3/4 Handball Tournament**, written by our very own Sports Leaders in this week's Wittersham Weekly. The tournament took place on Wednesday afternoon, and here's what they had to say:

'All of us who are sports leaders thought and agree that Wednesday's handball tournament was a great success. The tournament that Wittersham hosted was divided into six teams: Rolvenden, Woodchurch, Bethersden, High Halden, Wittersham 1 and Wittersham 2. We believe that it was important to interact with other schools to develop our social and communication skills. The sports event was competitive and fun. We hope everyone enjoyed it and we will look forward to further sports events. Thank you to Mr Hawkins for organising the tournament.' Isaac and Keira



Christmas Card Designs

Christmas card designs were sent home today—thank you to the WSA for organising this wonderful activity! Please ensure all cards are returned to school by Friday, 25th October, and all orders are placed online by following the instructions in the letter provided.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office team, and we will be happy to assist.

Attendance

Here are the latest attendance figures for the school:

Windmills	Oast	Smugglers	Vikings	Oxney	Rother
99.5%	97.6%	98.6%	91.9%	96.6%	94.5%

Whole school: 96.2%

Whole School Target: 96%

A gentle reminder that the school gates close promptly at 8:45am.

We kindly ask that all children arrive at school before this time.

Any arrivals after 8:45am will be marked as late.

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Week Six Wittersham School Prayer

Dear Lord,

We thank You for the blessings of this school, for the teachers, children, and families who make our community so special.

Help us to support one another, so that each of us may flourish in our learning and in our friendships.

Guide us to grow in wisdom, kindness, and strength, and let us use the talents You have given us to make a positive difference in the world.

May we continue to flourish under Your care, growing in love, faith, and understanding each day.

Amen.



**Just a
reminder...**



Reminder: Safety After School

Please do not use the trim trail after school, and kindly ensure that children and siblings stay off the field. This is important to keep everyone safe at the end of the day.

Thank You for your cooperation.

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IMPORTANT – REGISTER TO VIEW SCHOOL PHOTOS

Carmel Jane Photography visited our School on the 9th October, to take Individual & Sibling photos.

All parents are requested to pre-register for instant access to your child's photographs before they are ready & set live.

Register in 3 easy steps in less than a minute:

1. Head to www.carmeljane.com
2. Enter your unique code
JRRA6DAXUR
3. Include your child's full school register name.

Parents who pre-register will receive an exclusive 10% discount code for digital prints! This will be sent via email by Carmel Jane Photography once the photos are ready.



SAFE PARKING



Please be mindful when parking around the school area and ensure that you are not blocking any residents' driveways.

Your cooperation helps us maintain good relationships with our local community and ensures that everyone has access to their property.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Wittersham School Association
Presents



Thursday 28th November 2024

7pm - 9pm

Wittersham Village Hall

£38 Per Person with all proceeds going to Wittersham School Association

Come along to a friendly workshop run by skilled local florists and make a festive door wreath for Your home.

Ticket price includes wreath making materials plus tea, coffee and mince pies.

Just bring your own secateurs or garden scissors.

To secure a place email annchairwsa@gmail.com

Places must be booked and paid by FRIDAY 6TH OF NOVEMBER

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Wittersham Football
Clubs



Scarecrow Trail



SAT 19TH & SUN 20TH OCTOBER

10AM -2PM

prizes for 1st 2nd & 3rd place!



Trail maps can be
purchased on the day
at the sports club for
£3

Not just Halloween
theme they can be as
imaginative as you
wish! We look forward
to seeing all your
wonderful ideas &
creations!!!

contact: Maryann on
07472234841 or
Miriam on
01797270335
To enter your
scarecrow



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