

## Headteacher's Blog



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Numbers are limited so that we can offer a truly unique experience so please call the office on 01665574222 or email admin@whittingham.northumberland.sch.uk to book a place.

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Whittingham Primary School, Welcome to the Headteacher's Blog of this week.

Reminders for events can always be found on our school website calendar. However, events planned for the upcoming weeks include Y2 SATs, Year 6 SATs and our Early Years Class Assembly. As we move through May and June there are also class trips and activities which are on the school calendar but you will also be given further detail via your class teacher in a letter which will also be available on the news page of the school website.

As always, Mr Charlton or I are contactable on Gate Duty each morning, during the day in the office-01665574222 or directly by email (please do not use any other email as there may be a delay in your email getting to me as it does not go directly to me)

-belinda.athey@whittingham.northumberland.sch.uk and also at the end of the school day. We appreciate your comments, feedback and suggestions.

Best wishes,

Belinda Athey - Headteacher.

Open Afternoon- Monday 20th May - 2-3pm.

Just some further details in addition to the letter sent out this week and also following feedback from last time. We would like to share with you details of what can be seen in each class:

Early Years will have a Forest Schools session on the field in the Forest School area.

Class 1 will be having a Science lesson in the area outside their classroom.

Class 2 will be having a PE lesson on the football field or MUGA.

Class 3 will be having a Music lesson (showcasing our new steel pans!) hopefully on the playground at the front of school or if the weather is unkind they will perform in their classroom.

Babes in the Woods - Baby and Toddler Stay and Play sessions.

We are almost at our 1 year anniversary of these wonderful monthly sessions led by Mrs Manners. Our Summer Term dates are out now. Here are just a small selection of photos from the last session. If you would like to book a place please contact the office.







## Transition

Following feedback from staff and children we will be having only 1 transition day this year and it will be the same day as the Y6 have theirs on Wednesday 3rd July. Your new class teacher will be in touch if there are any further details. Also, following feedback from parents there will be a 'Meet the Teacher' opportunity at the classroom door at the end of the day. You also may like to pop into the Open Afternoon and not only visit your child's current class but if they are changing classrooms then visit that one too.

## Reminder to Stay in May and June

As you will know, if your child is in Year 1,2,4 or 6 there are formal tests and assessments coming up. (If you would like further information please do not hesitate to contact our assessment lead, Mr Charlton). However, there will also be end of term testing in June and July for all other year groups so we would appreciate it if absences could be kept to an absolute minimum and of course

holidays will continue to be unauthorised.