

WHITLEY CHAPEL C of E FIRST SCHOOL



Friday 27th February 2026

Dear Parents,

How lovely the weather is today! The children have enjoyed playing in the sunshine at lunchtime and some were even brave enough to take off their jumpers! Next week, Mr Short will begin his after school Forest Club, so let's hope that the warm weather continues!

World Book Day Thursday 5th March



We would like to invite you all to our World Book Day Reading Cafe which will take place in the school hall on **Thursday 5th March @ 9.00am.**

The children can come into school dressed up as a character from a book they enjoy. If the children would like to, they can then also share who they are dressed as and give a little description of their book.

Dressing up and sharing is not compulsory and pupils can come into school in simple non-school uniform if they wish.

Clubs this half term

Monday – Lego Club with Miss Ord

Tuesday – Gymnastics with Miss Agnew

Wednesday – Forest School Club with Mr Short

Thursday – Cookery Club with Miss Barnes

Spring Term Parents Evening

Tuesday 24th March

(More details to follow soon)

After School Wraparound runs all week - Monday to Friday from 3.20pm – 5.30pm term time only.

Attendance 9th - 13th February

EYFS – 100%

Class 2 – 93.8%

Class 1 – 90.63%



On Thursday 12th March, as part of our World Book Day celebrations, the children will visit our local Library (Queen's Hall) and Cogito Books in the Town Centre; more information to follow.

B4RN Broadband

B4RN Fibre Broadband could be coming to Hexhamshire. At 1000mbps upload and download speeds this will be so much faster than the current speeds most families and businesses can access. The project is predominantly government funded but is subject to enough properties expressing an interest on the B4RN website: www.b4rn.org.uk/. By expressing an interest in B4RN you are not signing up to a contract, you are just helping the project progress to the next stage.

B4RN is a community benefit organisation and if it gets the go ahead in Hexhamshire, they will provide free broadband to the school, village hall and church. Claire Nixon is involved with the community volunteer team taking this forward so please let her know if you have any questions.



Well done to Mr Short and the fabulous Drama Club Performers. You were all superb tonight! Have a lovely weekend everyone! Mrs Hayward 😊