

# Whitley Chapel C of E First School



Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful week we have had, culminating with a fabulous Harvest Lunch today!



Thank you so much to those of you who came to support us today. It really was wonderful and what a lovely atmosphere there was. The children were so proud to serve the food they had made themselves and I think a special thank you needs to go out to Mrs Parker and Mrs Kellett who worked super hard to prepare the hall and extra food. Thank you also for your very kind donations, altogether we raised £173.40 and our School Council will meet next week to decide where the funds will be donated to – I will let you know what they decide!

## **Praise Assembly**

**Praise Assembly will be back up and running next week and parents of children in Early Years and Class One will be more than welcome to join us on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 2.55pm.**

## **Parents Meetings**

Our Parents' Meetings this term will be on W/B 4<sup>th</sup> November. (More information to follow soon.)

## **After School Clubs**

After school clubs will be continuing as usual next week (3.30pm- 4.30pm)

**Monday – Drama**

**Tuesday – Board games**

**Wednesday – Dance with Pip**

**Thursday – Multiskills**



## **Harvest Assembly @ church**

**Our Harvest Assembly will take place on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at St Helen's Church (2.30pm). Come along and help us celebrate!**

## Dates for the Diary

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Flu vaccinations in school**

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October (2.30pm) – Harvest Assembly @ St Helen's Church**

**School Closes – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October (Inset day – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October)**

**More upcoming dates are on the school website calendar.**

Check out our Parental tips on E-Safety (found on the safeguarding tab at the top of our website).

## **Attendance**

Our overall percentage attendance for September 2024 was **98.28%**.

It is very important that your child comes to school every day. Please remember to ring school Before 9am in the morning if your child is poorly.

After half term, Mrs. Hardcastle will be running a Messy church club on a Monday evening. More details will follow soon.



# EVERY DAY COUNTS

Why attendance is important...

**BELOW 90%**

- **Significantly** reduced chance of success!
- The chances of obtaining five good GCSE grades (grade 4+) is **almost halved!**
- Possible **risk** of fines and court action!

**SERIOUS  
BUT VERY  
RARE**

**95% - 90%**

- Up to **one month** of school missed!
- Below 95%: On average, a drop in at least one GCSE grade in **every** subject!

**WORRYING**

**100% - 96%**

- High attendance leads to **Improved achievement!**
- You are giving your child the **best chance** of success!

**MOST  
STUDENTS  
ACHIEVE  
THIS**

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Mrs Hayward

