



# Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Early season football success at the juniors

Earlier this week, Whipton Wanderers played their first round of matches in the Exeter Premier League. Two tough matches against Woodwater Academy and St. Nicholas saw them come away with a narrow defeat and a well earned win for their efforts.

In the first game against Woodwater, there was a nervous start from both teams but Whipton capitalised by taking the lead midway through the first half. Unfortunately, right on the whistle of half-time, Woodwater equalised. Undeterred, Whipton set about regaining the lead in the second half after several substitutions and successfully achieved this to go 2-1 up with 5 minutes left to play. Once again though, Woodwater pegged this back to 2-2 and, with only a short period left to play, edged into the lead to ultimately win 3-2. The second game saw a much more dominant display from Whipton and goals from Luke Soanes and Lennon Appiah meant we stormed into a 3-0 lead. On this occasion, despite their best efforts, St. Nicholas could not pull this back and, after some excellent defensive and goalkeeping work, Whipton managed to keep them to just the one goal in reply. Congratulations to all boys involved and I look forward to watching them grow as a team as the season progresses. Here are the Wanderers in action:



## Kit Sponsorship

One of the things that I'd like to get sorted quickly is some decent tag-rugby and football kit. It will help raise the profile of our schools in the community but also give the children a bit of pride when "playing for the badge." To help with the cost of the kit, we are looking for a local sponsor and you should have

received a letter from our PSA about this. If you know of (or are) a local business who would be interested in supporting this, please contact the PSA chairperson: Gemma Frost, secretary Samantha Taylor or treasurer: Selina Hunt. You could also email me directly at [gread@whiptonbarton.org](mailto:gread@whiptonbarton.org)

## Y6 on the BBC

Last week I took a telephone call from BBC reporter Jon Kay who was doing a story on children's attitudes to dolls such as Barbie and Brats. His findings



will contribute to a national BBC story on the subject of dolls and body image. Tyler Harris, Lacy Ward, Kayleigh Toms, Jodie Wright, Daniel Thomson and Torrie Tucker from Y6 were interviewed and did the school proud. This is what Jon said of them: "The kids were absolutely amazing. A credit to you and the school. Seriously - we work with children a lot! - and these kids were just ace. Please thank them and their families on our behalf - and let them know how impressively they all behaved."

## School uniform and trainers

Just a reminder to you all that all children need to be in uniform and wearing black shoes when they come to school. The great majority of children do and look very smart. There are a few children, though, who have taken to wearing bright trainers. If this is the case, we will ask the children to take them off and will call you so you can bring their school shoes in. If your child is resistant to this at home and you are struggling, let us know and we will back you up.

**PSA Meeting – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>  
October – 9.15am – Junior School.  
Please come!**

## Parents' Evenings

Final reminder that Parents' Evenings are on Wednesday and Thursday next week. I will also be around on both nights if anyone feels like a chat.