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## Newsletter

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### GEMS Assembly:

The winning team for the weekly GEM Trophy was **Emerald**. Well done to everyone in Team **Emerald!**

Find out about our GEM procedures here: <https://whinfield.net/parents/gems/>

### School drop off and pick up:

When dropping off and collecting your child from the Key Stage 1 playground, please ensure they stand with a grown up. Please don't allow children to climb on the wall or run up and down the astro turf as this may slippy. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Year 6 SATS meeting for parents/carers to attend:

There will be a Year 6 SATS meeting on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 4pm for parents/carers to attend. If you are unable to attend due to other commitments information will be sent out.

### Book Fair:

We have a school Book Fair coming to Whinfield from Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February until Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February. Parents/carers and children will be able to buy books. It is a great way to get your children interested in reading! The school also receives some free books as well!

The Book Fair coincides with National Storytelling Week which starts on 30<sup>th</sup> January until 6<sup>th</sup> February and World Book Day which is on 7<sup>th</sup> March.

More details will follow soon about how you can purchase a book.

### Important Dates for the Spring term :

Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Year 6 SATS meeting for parents to attend
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for February half term
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	School reopens for pupils
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World book day (more information to follow)
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	School closes for Easter holidays
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens for pupils



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