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## Newsletter

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October

### GEMS Assembly:

The winning team for the weekly GEM Trophy was **Ruby**. Well done to everyone in Team **Ruby**! Find out about our GEM procedures here: <https://whinfield.net/parents/gems/>

### Volunteer for Educational visits:

If you would be interested in becoming a volunteer to help with educational visits, please contact the school office to request a volunteer application pack.

### School Start and end times:

Please ensure you adhere to your child's school start time. Children should not be coming into school late through the school office. They should also be picked up at their allocated time and not collected from the office early. We ask that where possible any appointments are made out of school time. If this is not possible and your child has an appointment bring a copy of your appointment letter to the office. Children coming to school late and leaving early are missing valuable learning time which can have a long-lasting impact on their progress - it also interrupts the learning of all children in the class. Thank you for your continued support.

### Flu Vaccinations:

We have been informed by Intrahealth that Flu vaccinations will not be going ahead in school on Monday. They have now been rearranged to Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October. Further information will follow.

### TAG rugby:

Well done to the three Year 6 TAG rugby teams who competed in the Primary TAG rugby festival on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October, one team came top in their group and were invited to attend the finals yesterday afternoon. Out of 35 teams, our team came 7<sup>th</sup> - an excellent achievement!

### Cross Country:

Following their top 10 finishes at the Darlington Cross Country event a few weeks ago, Poppy Brown, Jenson Large and Amelia Stamford all attended the Tees Valley Finals on Wednesday. Poppy and Amelia came 5<sup>th</sup> for Darlington along with Jenson who came 18<sup>th</sup>, we are incredibly proud of all of you and how you have represented not only the school, but the town!

### Important Dates for Autumn term 1:

Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October (Note amended date)	Flu vaccinations (Reception - Year 6)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents open evening for Reception 2024 new starters 4:30pm - 5:30pm

