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Newsletter

Friday 6th October

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/>

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:

You should have received the email that we sent last week on behalf of IntraHealth advising you how to consent for your child to have a flu vaccination. Please see information below.

Please complete the online link E-Consent form for your child following the link below:

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/Ocf4934c>

Please complete by Monday 9th October 2023 if you would like your child to receive the flu vaccination. If you do not wish your child to take part, please ensure you complete the form to withdraw your child. If you have any queries about the national flu program, please telephone IntraHealth on 0333 358 3397 and one of their specialised team will be happy to assist you further.

Please note from the dates below, the Reception Parents phonics meeting and school photos will both take place on Thursday next week (if your child usually has PE on a Thursday, please send them to school in their school uniform instead of PE kit on photograph day. They do not need to bring their PE kit with them).

Important Dates for Autumn term 1:

Thursday 12 th October (note amended date)	Reception Parents phonics meeting 4pm - 5pm
Thursday 12 th October	Individual and in school sibling photos
Monday 16 th October	Flu vaccinations (Reception - Year 6)
Thursday 26 th October	Parents open evening for Reception 2024 new starters 4:30pm - 5:30pm

