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## Newsletter

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October

### GEMS Assembly:

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

### Photograph day:

All children that were in school on Thursday had their photograph taken and should have brought home a copy. Photographs should now be available to order online. Thank you.

### 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. Thank you for your continued support.

### Harvest:

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival in school the week after the half term holiday. We would like to be able to send a donation to the local foodbank so if you are able, please could you send in tinned or dried food to display in our assemblies and then be taken to the foodbank. School will also make a contribution to the foodbank of £50. Thank you for your support.

### October Half Term holiday:

School is closed from Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October and re-opens on Monday 31<sup>st</sup>. October.

### Reception New Starters 2023 Open Evening:

If your child is reaching school age in September 2023 there will be an open Evening for Reception new starters. This will be on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 4:30pm - 5:30pm. More information will follow but this will give you the opportunity to look at our Reception provision and talk to school staff.

