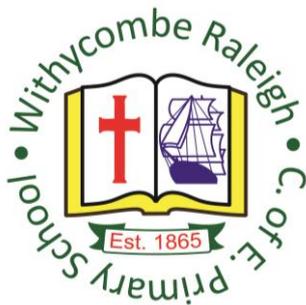


# Weekly School News Roundup

**Withycombe Raleigh  
C of E Primary School**



**Date: 22/10/2021**

Mrs Emma Jones, Headteacher  
Withycombe Village Road  
Exmouth, Devon, EX8 3BA

Please ring us on: (01395) 263397  
email: [admin@wrpschool.org](mailto:admin@wrpschool.org)  
website: [wrpschool.org](http://wrpschool.org)

---

## News from your Headteacher

Half Term at last! Everyone has been struggling this week with tiredness, coughs and colds so I think we all need the week off to recharge our batteries before the Christmas mayhem begins. It has been a wonderfully busy and enjoyable few weeks, children have settled into their learning brilliantly and school feels a very calm and happy place to be. I hope that you found Parents' Evening useful and informative and that you enjoyed having the opportunity to talk to your child's teacher albeit online! We hope to be able to offer face to face meetings for parents in March.

Thinking ahead to Christmas, if you want to order Cauliflower Cards, please ensure you order the cards online and return your child's artwork to school by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November at the latest. We will be unable to process any orders that arrive after this date. Traditionally we are visited by M and M Productions for a Pantomime performance each year. It is always a highlight of the school year both for children and staff. We are delighted to report that they will return this year so that all children can enjoy some traditional Christmas entertainment. The panto will be in school on 17<sup>th</sup> November. They have agreed to perform 3 performances so that we can limit the number of children gathered together in the hall at one time. Our very generous PTFA have agreed to subsidise the cost of this wonderful experience so that families need only contribute £1 per child towards the charge. To add to the excitement, children may wear non uniform on this day too.

### Vouchers

We are acutely aware that the lockdown and restrictions have had a significant financial impact on family lives. We are also conscious that there may be many of our families who might benefit from some support over Christmas. We have been offered the opportunity to provide a small number of families, who need a little financial help, with a small donation towards buying food for the Christmas period. If this is something you and your family would like to be considered for, please contact the school office (in person, by email or via a phone call). All contacts will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence.

Please remember that we also have our Withycombe Family Fund, where parents and staff who wish to can donate and support families within our own school community. The Family Fund has already helped several of our families in the past 12 months with a whole host of needs but especially enabling us to provide some families a donation towards the cost of Christmas.

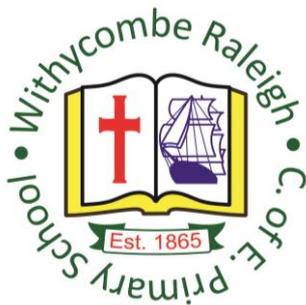
### Miss Aldridge

Miss Aldridge who has worked as a Teaching Assistant in Year One for several years has decided to step back from her role to enable her to focus on her family. Miss Aldridge will be greatly missed. Her last day will be Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Her calm and quiet approach and her extremely caring and empathetic nature has helped many children to feel happy and safe at school and to learn effectively in class. We wish Miss Aldridge lots of luck for the future.

---

# Weekly School News Roundup

## Withycombe Raleigh C of E Primary School



**Date:** 22/10/2021

Mrs Emma Jones, Headteacher  
Withycombe Village Road  
Exmouth, Devon, EX8 3BA

Please ring us on: (01395) 263397  
email: [admin@wrpschool.org](mailto:admin@wrpschool.org)  
website: [wrpschool.org](http://wrpschool.org)

---

### **Contact us**

Please remember that there are many ways you can contact school staff if you have any queries. You can email your child's class teacher directly using the class email account; alternatively, you can email [admin@wrpschool.org](mailto:admin@wrpschool.org) or [enquiries@wrpschool.org](mailto:enquiries@wrpschool.org) or call us on 01395 263397. Please be aware that teachers do not have the opportunity to check emails during the school day and therefore if you have an urgent message for staff within the school day, please ring our office or email as indicated.

Have a lovely weekend – and enjoy half term!

Mrs. E Jones

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **22<sup>nd</sup> October**

PTFA Smarties Challenge

#### **2<sup>nd</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> November**

Scholastic Book Fair

#### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

Last day to for Cauliflower Card orders and to return artwork to school.

#### **10<sup>th</sup> November**

Christmas Shoebox Collection

#### **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

Pantomime performance in school

Children can come to school in non uniform.

#### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

Children in Need

#### **4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Trail**

PTFA Christmas Trail

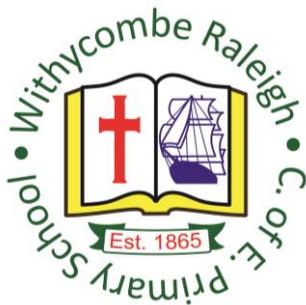
#### **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

Christmas Jumper Day

---

# Weekly School News Roundup

## Withycombe Raleigh C of E Primary School



**Date:** 22/10/2021

Mrs Emma Jones, Headteacher  
Withycombe Village Road  
Exmouth, Devon, EX8 3BA

Please ring us on: (01395) 263397  
email: [admin@wrpschool.org](mailto:admin@wrpschool.org)  
website: [wrpschool.org](http://wrpschool.org)

---

### Collective Worship

This week we have been using our Collective Worship time to learn more and think about the work of Blythswood Care, a Christian organisation working to give support to families in need in Europe, Africa and Asia. Working with this charity helps our children to think about our school values in more detail, in particular our values of Generosity and Empathy. We have invited families to create a shoebox of small gifts for a child which Blythswood Care will distribute to one of their many projects around the world. Shoeboxes will be collected on Wednesday November 10<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to find out more about the work of Blythswood Care, their website address is [www.blythswood.org](http://www.blythswood.org)

### Top Tips for Wellbeing

After a busy few weeks in school, the children will feel tired and families may welcome the break. This half term, we will all benefit from some '**self-care**'; to think about ourselves, our family and our children and what we all might need to recharge and restore our energy, ready for the next half term. It is a good time to think about the whole of us: our physical needs such as rest and exercise; our social needs of company and connection with others; our emotional needs such as talking time and relaxing time.

[Place2Be.org.uk](http://Place2Be.org.uk) is a charity which aims to improve children and young people's mental health. The link below gives several ideas for wellbeing activities which you might like to look at over half term. These include:

*The Daily Mile at Home* - fun ways to keep active;

*Activities from the Art room* - to build resilience and connect with others;

*Bring the Sunshine Inside* - ideas to connect with nature;

*National Literacy Trust* - Family zone with free audiobooks and videos.

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/coronavirus-wellbeing-activity-ideas-for-families/>

Tania's Tots have asked us to share the following links with you all.

<https://www.facebook.com/107288724410384/posts/396999178772669/?d=n>

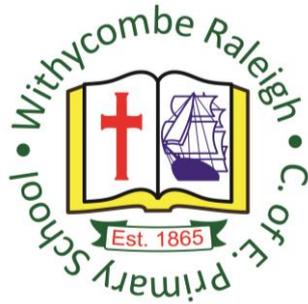
---

<https://www.facebook.com/107288724410384/posts/392032382602682/?d=n>

---

# Weekly School News Roundup

**Withycombe Raleigh  
C of E Primary School**



Mrs Emma Jones, Headteacher  
Withycombe Village Road  
Exmouth, Devon, EX8 3BA

Please ring us on: (01395) 263397  
email: [admin@wrpschool.org](mailto:admin@wrpschool.org)  
website: [wrpschool.org](http://wrpschool.org)

**Date:** 22/10/2021

## Sports & Achievements

We love to hear about your children's sporting and other achievements. If you have anything to share, please email [enquiries@wrpschool.org](mailto:enquiries@wrpschool.org) with your news and a photo if possible. We will endeavor to include as many of your photos as possible each week.



This week's sporting stars:

Mrs Lang and Mrs Hart took part in an inflatable 5k event on Saturday. It sounds great fun!

George (Year 1) won a trophy at rugby for demonstrating the rugby values.

This weekend Ella (Barn Owls) entered her 1st BMX regional race in Tiverton. She was the 2nd smallest in her category and never gave up.

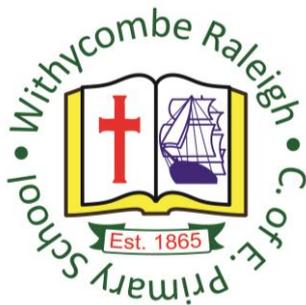
Logan and Noah had their first BMX race Logan competed in Novice 7-9yrs, completing 3 Motos and 1 final finishing 6th out of 7.

Noah competed in Novice under 6's, completing 3 Motos and 1 final finishing 6th out of 9.



# Weekly School News Roundup

**Withycombe Raleigh  
C of E Primary School**



**Date:** 22/10/2021

Mrs Emma Jones, Headteacher  
Withycombe Village Road  
Exmouth, Devon, EX8 3BA

Please ring us on: (01395) 263397  
email: [admin@wrpschool.org](mailto:admin@wrpschool.org)  
website: [wrpschool.org](http://wrpschool.org)

## Year Group News



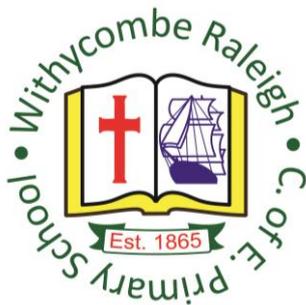
Year 2 had a visit from our local Police Officers last week to talk about keeping safe.

Look at this amazing art work created by Raffy in Year 5! It took him 7 hours of hard work and concentration but definitely worth all the effort!



# Weekly School News Roundup

**Withycombe Raleigh  
C of E Primary School**



**Date:** 22/10/2021

Mrs Emma Jones, Headteacher  
Withycombe Village Road  
Exmouth, Devon, EX8 3BA

Please ring us on: (01395) 263397  
email: [admin@wrpschool.org](mailto:admin@wrpschool.org)  
website: [wrpschool.org](http://wrpschool.org)



Last week they got extremely mucky at Forest School Club learning about chemical reactions by making disgusting and dirty, exploding, mud pies. Can you guess the secret ingredients that they used to create a chemical reaction?

