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Persevere, Respect, Collaborate

Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

Crochet

Parent Forum

This week has been busy in school with our enrichment work culminating on Remembrance Day, Anti-Bullying week and Children in Need support day, today. I hope you have managed to see the wonderful sculptures the children have created, centred around peace. We have a wide variety of work from peace doves, the friendship circles, to windmills and poppies. If you haven't managed to see them yet, please do take a moment to explore the school grounds at afternoon pick up. Some images are also on the next page in case you can't make it to school, or please have a look at your child's Seesaw account.

On Monday, Warrington Wolves visited us to start Anti-Bullying week and our work around respecting each other. I know a particular highlight was an appearance by Wolfie at the end of the assembly, who continued to inspire the children to show concern, respect and care for each other. Within classes, children have designed their own 'Odd Socks' as well as exploring how we can always follow our school values and promote our mission statement 'Unique Individuals Learning Together'.

Next week, I will be meeting with our Parent Forum group where we will be focusing on the schools Wellbeing Award. We currently hold this award and would like to continue to develop and support our children, staff and community with being mentally and emotionally well. The reps will then bring back ideas and information, and we would love to have as much feedback as possible.

December is fast approaching, and plans are happening in school now for Christmas performances as I mentioned last week. I know a few parents were keen to know when tickets will be issued, we will share more details shortly, but the dates for the actual performances were shared in the dates for diary at the start of the year.

In addition to this, Miss Taylor, Miss Pick and Mrs Preston are working hard in forest school and I am pleased to share, alongside a huge thank you, that we have been able to make some purchases for the area funded through the PFA. Up to now our Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 children have spent time learning in forest school, and the other classes will also be able to access this in the new year.

Finally, in a few weeks we have our Open Day again for prospective Reception children in September 2025. Every time we have visitors, they always comment on how friendly and welcoming our school is, and what wonderful ambassadors the children across school are. We have our promotional materials on our school social media account, so please feel free to share this information with friends, family or members of the community if you know they are looking for a school place next September. Our Year 6's love showing people around and as I'm sure you can imagine, do an excellent job!

As ever I hope you all have a lovely restful and enjoyable weekend.

See you Monday! Mrs Quigley

Picture News

The Picture News topic for next week is ...

'Why is discovery important?'



A discovery of more than 6000 ancient Maya structures, including a city of pyramids, has been named Valeriana. Hidden by jungle canopy in the Mexican state of Campeche, the city was discovered by chance. A student at Tulane University in the US, found the city with the help of Lidar, a light detection technology that uses lasers to map landscapes.

Lidar stands for Light Detection and Ranging. The system aims fast pulses of laser light at surfaces and detects reflections, to create a 3D map of an area. Advances in Lidar technology have improved the laser light's ability to pass through tree canopies and generate images of the ground below. The findings can reveal signs of past human life, helping us to learn more about how people used to live.

Things to talk about at home:

- * Share what your definition of 'discovery' is with someone at home. Ask what their definition is.
- Can you think of any big discoveries in the world made during your lifetime? Ask others at home whether they can recall any. Talk about the impact each had.

Hot Chocolate and Cake

This week, the Midday Assistants have chosen the following children, who have demonstrated good manners and our school values at lunchtimes and they will join Mrs Quigley next week (or as soon after if that is not possible) for hot chocolate and cake:

Reception	Heidi L
Year 1	Freyja E
Year 2	Anya C
Year 3	Sophia M
Year 4	Harris S
Year 5	Lauren H
Year 6	Daisy J

The Animal Welfare's Pet of the Month

The Animal Welfare Team would like to introduce Pet of the Month in the newsletter and each month we will showcase your pets. If you would like to enter a pet, send a picture and some information (name, breed, likes and dislikes) to Mrs Robinson via seesaw, and look out on Friday 6 December to see if your pet made it to the newsletter. We look forward to seeing all of your entries!

Michael and Emily Animal Welfare Team Leaders

WATER BOTTLES NO LARGER THAN 500ml

We are finding that children are still bringing in large/oversized water containers. Children should bring in a water bottle no larger than 500ml - children are able to refill bottles in school during the day and there is limited space in the classrooms/on tables.

Children have been injured using the oversized bottles with a rigid straw, such as the Thermoflasks, and they are still not permitted in school. The bottles with an internal straw and flip top are permitted or the styles below.



Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

The theme for this year's Anti Bullying Week was 'choose respect'.

On Monday, Warrington Wolves visited school on Monday and held an assembly all about antibullying. Wolfie gave some helpful tips such as speaking up and always respecting others.





On Tuesday, we took part in Odd Socks Day in school. The purpose for Odd Socks Day is to allow children (and adults!) to express themselves and celebrate their uniqueness, promoting acceptance, understanding and respect.

Anti-Bullying Help

This morning, we received a call from The Hayloft, a local coffee shop and event location, to ask if we would be able to rehome a couple of their guinea pigs, who were being bullied and Year 5 were happy to help. The Hayloft staff dropped the two piggies, together with supplies to help to support them.





The two new guinea

pigs will be introduced gradually to our current guinea pigs, Patch and Elvis, who are now the grand old age of 7. They will hopefully all be living together in the pen soon and enjoying the space. Ashley and Neel helped the pair to settle in to their new environment.

They haven't been given names yet, but Year 5 are working on it and we will share them with you once we know! We will let you

know how they are getting on over the next few weeks.

Children in Need Non Uniform Day

Thank you to everyone who contributed to today's Children in Need event - we have raised £**180.50** so far. If you haven't had chance to donate yet, it is not to late and can be done on the following link: https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=15289







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