13th December 2024





Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

December

16th December – KS2 Christmas Carols by Candlelight (Parents Invited)

18th December – EYFS & KS1 New Vic The Three Musketeers Trip

18th December - KS2 Christmas Lunch

20th December – Wear a Christmas Jumper Day

20th December – School Closes

January 2025

6th January – Inset Day (School closed to pupils)

7th January – School Opens

10th January – Year 5 Bikeability

15th & 16th January – Year 6 Bikeability

20th Jan – 7th Feb – Year 3 & 4 Swimming Lessons

All this information and more can be found under Events on our website

https://www.wheelockprimary.co.uk/

Class News

Cygnets and Pufflings

A super week this week. We have been working hard in Literacy learning all about The Jolly postman and have been describing the character and setting. We used our imagination to plan a new vehicle for the Jolly Postman to be super speedy. In Maths, we have been strengthening our counting and subitising skills and have matched representations to numerals. We are getting so speedy with our subitising. We have been learning about why we celebrate Christmas and talking about different Christmas traditions. We took part in the elf run to raise money- thank you for all of the sponsorship money! Keep up the fabulous work, Reception!

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

We've had a lovely festive week this week in year one.

On Tuesday we enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner, we made party hats and decorated Christmas bags. Today we all enjoyed the sponsored elf run and have raised lots of money for St Lukes.

In literacy this week we finished writing up our instructions on how to get to the church. The children included lots of directional language and ended their instructions with a warning to the reader!

In maths this week we have been focusing on what parts make up odd and even numbers. We realised that even numbers could have both odd and even parts but odd numbers have an even and an odd part but not two of the same.

The children really enjoyed exploring different shades of green in art this week. They drew around their hands and then painted each finger with a different shade by mixing the primary colours together.

In whole class read we explained how the lion would have felt after he sat on the iron. We learnt to draw a lion first and then wrote his feelings around the outside.

In geography this week we conducted a survey to find out what we liked and disliked about our school playground.

Owls and Robins

Year 2 have had a fantastic week!

The children started the week by visiting the local church for the "Hope Journey". This was a wonderful experience linked to the children's current RE topic, which allowed them to hear the story of the "First Christmas" from the perspective of different people! The children especially enjoyed hearing the donkey's complaints about the long journey to Bethlehem, a crying baby and loud visitors all night! The children's behaviour was exemplary and they represented the school exceptionally well, which was noted by some of the church volunteers - well done Year 2, you should be proud!

In Literacy, the children have been thinking about diaries. We have been exploring the diary entry of a character from our story "The Night Gardener". The children have considered: vocabulary choices, use of the "first person", exclamation and question sentences and have begun thinking about writing in the first person themselves! We're excited to see the children take this learning into their Hot Task, where they will be writing their own diary entry imagining that they have discovered a topiary in their garden! Can your child recall what a "topiary" is?

In Whole Class Read, the children have enhanced their retrieval skills - answering true/false questions about Queen Victoria and making a poster recalling their knowledge on the 'Industrial Revolution' which happened during Queen Victoria's reign!

In PSHE, the children have continued to think about character strengths during "myHappymind" sessions. This time, the children have focused on a strength we would like to improve!

In Maths, the children began their new unit on "shape". We have been focusing on 2D shapes - recognising and naming them, counting their sides and counting the "vertices" too! Can your child recall some of our key learning on this ... What is a quadrilateral? What are vertices?

In Science, the children have been continuing to think about being healthy - focusing on the importance of handwashing and germs! The children designed some creative posters to showcase their learning.

On Thursday this week, the children thoroughly enjoyed the "Crafternoon Tea"! Thank you so much to all those who attended - we really appreciate the support and saw lots of fun had by all. We are especially proud of the children for performing 4 Christmas songs at the event that they have been practising throughout the half-term. The children worked very hard to learn the words, actions and sign-language!

A massive WELL DONE to the Year 2 choir too, who have been busy performing this week. The children enthusiastically performed for the whole-school during assembly and did a truly wonderful job singing at the Merry Market too! All the lunchtime practises certainly paid off and you left many grown-ups feeling proud and teary-eyed!

Sandpipers and Moorhens

Year 3 have had another fabulous week! They have finished their Design and Technology, which was a poster all about volcanoes! They included an electrical circuit into their poster, which allowed a bulb to highlight something important from their information. They were great. The children have also finished their Maths unit of multiplication and division. They have really impressed all staff working with them, and we would love them to continue their practise on TTRockstars over the Christmas period. They have also completed their hot write; an explanation text all about volcanoes. They explained in detail where to find volcanoes, how they erupt, how they are formed and a few interesting facts! They have really immersed themselves into the topic of volcanoes over this half term. We have also spent some time this week practising for the carols by candlelight on Monday evening. We hope to see you and your child there!! One more week to go. Well done Year 3!

Kingfishers and Lapwings

Year 4 have had a great week! We all enjoyed the theatre visit on Tuesday and the children behaved brilliantly! In literacy we have continued to focus on the Kapok Tree and thought about the impact deforestation has on a range of different species and indigenous people of the Amazon rainforest. In science we have set up an experiment to explore the rate of evaporation using different liquids and will observe this over the next week. In French the children enjoyed creating their own French advent calendar showing off all of their learning for this term. We have also had a festive related RE session where the children have designed their own decoration that symbolises them. We have been practicing our Christmas carols in preparation for Monday - we hope that you can join us. Have a great weekend.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week, we have started to write our newspaper articles for our hot task. The children are working hard to use formal language and keep the information factual. In maths, year 6 have been using measures whilst year 5 have been adding mixed number fractions. In science, we looked at the Sun, Earth and Moon and their orbits. During PSHE, we discussed if money matters and what makes us happy. In French, the children designed Christmas jumpers and wrote a sentence about them. During RE, we looked at stories that contain truths in them - like a moral.

We have been practising carols in preparation for Monday evening. The children had a fantastic elf run today. We really love this annual event.

We are hoping that all Year 5/6 classes will be in the new building by next week. We know Kestrels have been desperate to move in- we've just been waiting for some more furniture to be built so that it is safe for all of the children.

Have a wonderful weekend- one more week! 🛕 😇



















Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason	
Cygnets	Roan	for being super brave coming into school.	
Cygnets	Darcey	For super speedy blending in Phonics and making super progress in her group.	
Pufflings	Ayda	for lovely manners with peers and adults and always doing the right thing.	
Pufflings	Ava	For working in her oral blending with free frog.	
Goldfinches	Robin	For using her plan really well to write her instructions.	
Goldfinches	Charlie	For using fantastic mathematical language this week.	
Woodpeckers	Kaelyn	For making lots of progress in Phonics.	
Woodpeckers	Riley	For always being enthusiastic and eager to learn.	
Owls	Ronald	For being more aspirational with his writing & maths learning this week!	
Owls	Рорру	For creating a fantastic informative poster in Science on the importance of handwashing!	
Robins	Grace	For representing the school so well on the Church visit this week.	
Robins	Eliza, Harper, Piper & Grace	For great team work on Baby Bears Chair	

C- 1.1	FI.	For such and a second state of
Sandpipers	Elias	For great engagement in Literacy lessons
		this week which meant he wrote a great
		explanation text all about volcanoes.
Sandpipers	Arthur	For a great improvement in his
		handwriting, keep it up!
Moorhens	Reuben	For super listening and effort in his lessons this week.
Moorhens	Charlie	For showing more independence in his learning – particularly in his writing.
Kingfishers	Arnie	For increased efforts with his reading, great to see so many quizzes being completed!
Kingfishers	Gianni	For taking responsibility for his learning and focusing on tasks.
Lapwings	Charlie	for really settling down in school and working hard this half term in all subjects. Charlie has become a great help around the classroom too, and supportive of his peers. Well done Charlie, keep up the good work!
Lapwings	Freddie	For excellent work in maths, and applying your fantastic times table knowledge to our multiplication and division topic. Freddie is always eager to practise his times tables, and his effort really shows in our number sense lessons where he regularly gets 40/40! Well done!
Kestrels	Indie	For a well written introduction to a newspaper article - great language choices, well done!
Kestrels	Amelia	For always trying hard, being a good listener and a super example of the Wheelock behaviours! Well done!
Hawks	Marco	For always displaying the Wheelock behaviours and demonstrating a mature attitude towards his learning.
Hawks	Claudia	For being a kind and responsible member of Hawks - well done!
Eagles	Jasper	For taking extra responsibility to ensure the new building is kept clean and tidy.
Eagles	Evie	For taking extra responsibility to ensure the new building is kept clean and tidy.
The Hive	Graco & Jack	For always respecting others and helping

The Hive	Grace & Jack	For always respecting others and helping
		in the Hive.

The Hive

As Christmas approaches the craft activities have been based on this theme, thank you Kerry the wreath creations have been lovely, each child has loved this activity. We have seen many proud faces as they have shown their parents.

In the main hall we watched catwalk roleplay games, Lego creations and on Thursday the train track was a huge hit with children of all ages.

FOWS NEWSLETTER



A HUGE thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas Fair this week! We hope you had a fabulous time full of festive cheer. We're thrilled to announce we raised around £2000—amazing! Your generosity and support mean the world to us.

We feel incredibly blessed to have such a fantastic community of parents, teachers, and friends at Wheelock School. Your contributions help us provide those extra special touches and support trips and events that wouldn't be possible otherwise. Special thanks to our teachers, the magical FOWS team, and all the volunteers—whether planned or impromptu! We couldn't have done it without you.

Congratulations to Jacob Fox for finding Paddington's sandwich and giving him a loving home, and a big shout out to our raffle winners—check your emails to collect your hampers as soon as you can!

P.S. If you missed picking up your child's grotto gift, there are still some available. Just let us know at fowscontact@gmail.com.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Kind regards,

Lisa Sumner

Chairperson

Friends of Wheelock School

Free School Meals

Please find below the link to apply for Free School Meals. If you do qualify for this it covers lots more than just the school meals therefore it may be worth taking a look.

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free_school_meals.aspx

Autumn Menu

Dates	Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 02.09.2024, 16.09.2024,	Main Choice	Chicken Goujons served with Diced Potatoes & Vegetables	Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Sausages served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Beef Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables	Fish Fingers served with Chips & Vegetables
11.11.2024, 25.11.2024, 09.12.2024.	Vegetarian Choice	Veggie Fingers served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Sausages served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegetable Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Dippers served with Chips & Vegetables
	Jacket Potato	Tuna	Beans	Cheese & Beans	Tuna	Beans
	Sandwich	Cheese	Tuna	Ham	Chicken	Cheese
	Dessert	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit

Dates	Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 09.09.2024, 23.09.2024.	Main Choice	Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables	Mac & Cheese served with Garlic Bread		Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Chicken Burger served with Chips & Vegetables
07.10.2024, 21.10.2024, 04.11.2024,	Vegetarian Choice	Vegan Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables	Cheese & Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Vegan Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegan Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegetable Burger served with Chips & Vegetables
18.11.2024,	8.11.2024, Jacket Potato Cheese & Beans	Cheese	Tuna	Cheese	Cheese & Beans	
02.12.2024,	02.12.2024, Sandwich Tuna	Tuna	Ham	Cheese	Tuna	Chicken
16.12.2024.	Dessert	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit

Community News



CHRISTMAS CLUBS	DECEMBER 23RD 🚐	DECEMBER 24TH	JANUARY 2ND	JANUARY 3RD
BRINE LEAS	XMAS PARTY!, 2 8AM-3.15PM #HAF 8.45AM-3.15PM	×	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-3.15PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-3.15PM DANCE AND #HAI 8.45AM-3.15PM
CHELFORD	XMAS PARTY! — 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-3.15PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM
FARNDON	XMAS PARTY! — 8AM-5PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM FOOTBALL 8.45AM-3.15PM
HOLMES CHAPEL	XMAS PARTY! A 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	NERF DAY 8AM-3.15PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM
SANDBACH BOYS	XMAS PARTY! 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	×	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM/SWIM 'N SPLASH AND #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM
ST WILFRID'S	XMAS PARTY! A 8AM-5PM	×	NERF DAY 8AM-5PM	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-5PM
WORTH	XMAS PARTY!	×	MULTI-SPORTS 8AM-3.15PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM	NERF DAY 8AM-3.15PM #HAF 8.45AM- 3.15PM
200	SCAN	QR CC	3.15PM	





HOLIDAYS@SPORTSCOACHINGGROUP.CO.UK 01270 449770







Football

Wednesday

Yr 3-6 08.01.25 - 12.02.25 3:15 - 4:15

£30 (6 weeks)

- What does my child need?

 Old trainers/football boots

 PE kits

 Water bottle

Target Games

Thursday

Yr 1/2

09.01.25 - 13.02.25

3:15 - 4:15

£30 (6 weeks)

- What does my child need?
 Trainers
 PE kits
 Water bottle

Click HERE to book HT3

info@sportscoachinggroup.co.uk

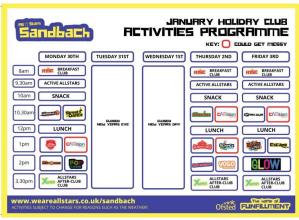
01270 449770

sportscoachinggroup.co.uk











Hello! Allow us to introduce ourselves...

Sandbach Youth Theatre was relaunched this year. We are a group for young people interested in devising theatre and, showcasing their creative voices. For ages 6 - 12, sessions take place at Sandbach Library on Wednesdays 5:00pm - 6:30pm.

We currently have spaces for new members, we are offering a free trial session after half term! It will be opportunity for your young person to meet new people, participate in drama games, and work creatively!

If you would like to come along to the session, you can sign up with the email below. We look forward to hearing from you!

If you would like to join us, please contact us at info@sandbachmiddlewichyouththeatre.co.uk

