15th March 2024





Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

SEND Coffee, cake & chat (9am - 11am Parents Invited) - 18th March

Year 5 SingFest – 20th March

World Water Day - 22nd March

FOWS Chocolate Bingo - 22nd March

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

Sporting news

This week the netball team battled to make their final mark within the netball league. Their skills, in the past few weeks, have gone from strength to strength. We are so proud of the resilience and determination that they displayed. Wheelock came sixth out of twelve teams. Well done Wheelock, you represented us beautifully.

Next week, marks the start of the Cross-County League.

Smoke Busters Assembly

On Monday morning, Year 5 took part in an assembly led by Liam, Hannah and the team from Crewe Fire Station. The children learnt the importance of Fire Safety and having a 'Fire Action Plan' in place at home to keep themselves and their families safe.

They then had the opportunity to experience what it would be like in a real fire through a demonstration in the 'smoke tent'.

We learnt the importance of having a smoke alarm in our homes and were told about the

#Test It Tuesday campaign to remind us to regularly check them to ensure that they work properly.

Thank you to Liam, Hannah and the team for delivering some very important messages to us!











Class News

Penguins and Puffins

A super week in Reception this week. We have been writing our own stories of Little Red and have started to write super sentences that can be read by others. We have been including adjectives to make our story more exciting.

In Maths we have been exploring length, height and time. During our topic, we have been exploring homes in the past and have explored signs of Spring. The children have loved spotting signs and Spring and could tell us what to look for.

Thank you to everybody for attending Parent's Evening. It was lovely to catch up with you all and share the wonderful achievements of your children.

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

A super busy week for Woodpeckers and Goldfinches. The children are really working hard and making so much progress. It has been a pleasure to share with you all your child's achievements at Parent's Evening this week.

In Literacy we have done some short writes about characters and settings. We have been very impressed with the great ideas and the children's imaginations. Our sentence writing is now including much more detail and it is lovely to see. Well done Woodpeckers and Goldfinches.

Maths this week has focused on 'fact families'. We have used ten frames and Part Whole models to generate addition and subtraction facts. This is proving to be a great challenge and we have really enjoyed this unit.

In Geography we used a compass to find North, South, East and West. We have learnt a silly rhyme to try and remember the correct order - see if your child can remember it! We played a location game on the school field and labelled our own compasses.

We thoroughly enjoyed a virtual visit to a farm on Wednesday. Farmer Sam showed us the cows, sheep and all the machinery on his farm. This was a great introduction to Science Week. We also enjoyed our trip to Peak Wildlife Park' today and look forward to sharing our photos and activities with you next week.

Owls and Robins

It was lovely to see so many year 2 parents at this weeks parent's evening and share all their hard work.

In literacy we have explored the features of Grandad's island and broken them down ready to start our own story telling next week. We have finished our Whole Class Read, looking at poems about made up monsters! Today was all about The Sockodile!

In Music, the children have been looking at Chinese New Year songs. in Maths we have moved on to height and weight. We put the class in height order sparking some interesting discussion. we have continued looking at different habitats, focussing on how they might be adapted to suit different animals. Finally, in Geography we have been name and locating the different oceans.

Sandpipers, Swans and Kingfishers

In Waterbirds this week, we have constructing fair tests to understand what conditions are suitable for plants to grow, baby sweetcorn plants have ended up in all sorts of places including in the fridge!

Across Waterbirds, we have continued our learning of fractions in maths, understanding that fractions can be equivalent with different denominators and numerators. As well as this, we have enjoyed creating healthy wraps in our design and technology lessons.

In Literacy, the children have thrived writing about evil characters speaking nastily to innocent characters using direct speech, in preparation for out forthcoming hot task based on the twisted tale - The Lost Happy Endings. Children have been learning the spelling rules of 'sc' and 'ch' in year 4 and 3 respectively.

Waterbirds have thoroughly enjoyed the dress down day for Chocolate Bingo for FOW. A gentle reminder for parents to encourage children to enter the British Science Week Poster competition and get creating over the weekend. Well done for all your effort this week Waterbirds!

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week in literacy, we have moved away from Hound of the Baskervilles. We have used two videos as a stimulus: Alma and Road's End. The children have been learning how to write with suspense by using questions, short sentences and ellipsis.

In maths, both year groups have finished their units on fractions, decimals and percentages. They have worked hard on using their times table knowledge to help find percentages or find equivalent fractions and decimals.

In science, the children have learnt about using classification keys to organise information. During geography, we have learnt about physical features of deserts. In RE, the children discussed whether or not the resurrection happened.

On Thursday, we have created a carousal of activities in the afternoon. Mr Owen will teach all of the classes computing. They have focused on stop-start animation. Miss Hough is teaching PSHE where the children have looked at drugs and how they can be good and bad. Whilst Mrs Landstrom has taught PE. We looked at key skills in basketball such as dribbling and how high we should bounce the ball.

We really enjoyed chatting with you all on Tuesday and Thursday night during parents evening. It's so wonderful to share the children's successes with you all.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Penguins	Whole Class	For a super retell of Little Red.
Puffins	Whole Class	For a fantastic week of story writing for Little Red.
Goldfinches	Whole Class	For a great trip to the Peak Wildlife Park.
Woodpeckers	Boaz	For being willing to try new things out of his comfort zone.
Woodpeckers	Jakub	For some fantastic compass work using directions.
Owls	Jenson	For his fantastic progress in Phonics.
Owls	Jack	For his noticeable hard work in his reading and writing.
Robins	Tyrone	For trying hard to develop his ideas in Literacy.
Robins	Iris	For making good choices with aspiring to do her best.

Swans	Neve	For an improvement in concentration and listening. Well done!
Swans	Theo	For a huge improvement in staying in class and participating in lessons. Well done!
Swans	Harry	For an outstanding effort in Literacy writing direct speech. Well done!
Sandpipers	Jessica	For showing great team work when asked to complete group activities this week.
Sandpipers	Mabel	For growing confidence and contribution to group and class work.
Kingfishers	Lily	For working extremely hard in Maths on her fractions and being a great helper in the class.
Kingfishers	Lowen	For working hard in Literacy, with some great creative ideas.
Kestrels	Myla	For always being positive and considerate towards others – a real superstar! Well done!
Kestrels	Megan	For making super improvements in her written work both in class and in her writing group. Well done!
Hawks	Oliver	For trying really hard with his writing this week – well done!
Hawks	Megan	Wonderful feedback from the NTP writing tutor this week for her effort with suspense writing.
Eagles	Ashleigh	For excellent teamwork in all lessons this week.
Eagles	Oliver	For showing great enthusiasm for learning in all subjects this week.
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The Hive

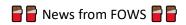
This week the children have enjoyed lots of craft activities and mindful colouring. The board games remain popular with all ages.

Mr Sutton and Penny have taken the children outside on the trim trail and all of children have enjoyed playing with their friends, it is lovely to be able to use the outdoors again.

Over the next few weeks the children will be able to take part in Easter activities, Kerry and Anna have planned some baking activities which I know all of the children will enjoy.

Thank you for your patience this week with location of the Hive for Parents Evening. Next week the Hive will be back in the hall.

FOWS NEWSLETTER



First of all, THANK YOU 🙏 🥌 🖥 🙏 🙌

The chocolate donations this year were fantastic for our non-uniform day yesterday!

Chocolate bingo is next week on Friday and it's going to be brilliant! Plenty of prizes, chip butties, a well-stocked bar and of course BINGO! What's not to love?

Tickets for chocolate bingo are still available:

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wheelock/

There will be 3 sessions on the night and there are still lots of spaces available for the last session. Please do come and join us and support your school, it will be a really fun night!

If you are not coming due to financial reasons, please don't hesitate to contact the office for help with this. We do not want it to be a barrier for your family joining in and enjoying the evening.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

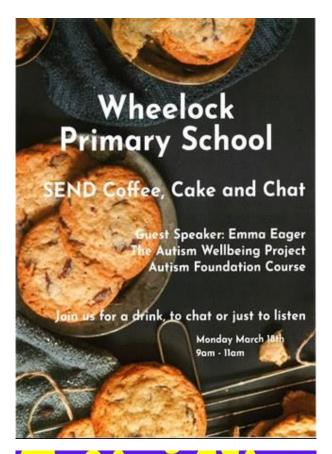
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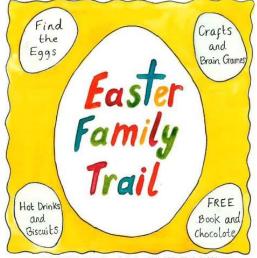
Community News







Saturday 23rd March 1pm-3pm starts @ Sandbach Town Hall



FREE FOR ALL THE FAMILY



EMAIL: FAMILY@GRACE-SANDBACH.CO.UK WEBSITE: WWW.GRACE-SANDBACH.CO.UK



THIS YEARS BUZZ EASTER FAMILY TRAIL STARTS AT SANDBACH TOWN HALL

Join us at the Town Hall entrance where you will get instructions and then head off around the shops to hunt for the eggs.

Then return to the Town Hall for more fun upstairs....
....refreshments, crafts and brain games.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE ALL CHILDREN WILL
BE GIVEN A BOOK AND AN EASTER EGG!

FUN FREE FAMILY EVENT EVERYONE WELCOME!!

NOTE: Children must be accompanied by an adult











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Repair Cafés are all about repairing things. You bring your broken items from home and our Fixers, who are unpaid local volunteers, will try and repair your item. You are invited to watch the repair, allowing you to take away not only your repaired item but a new shared skill!

We have a range of skills available including computer tech, bicycles, joiners, mechanical, sewing and more!!

lt's also an opportunity to meet new people and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and/or home bake.

We have tackled toys, clocks, luggage and hairdryers. You can even book your repair in advance by emailing your details to repaircafe@sandbachpartnership.co.uk.

Don't forget to join our Facebook group for all the latest.

Spread the word Location: St Peter's Church Hall, Elworth

Future dates & times

Saturday 17 Feb 11am until 2pm

Saturday 16 Mar 11am until 2pm

Saturday 20 Apr 11am until 2pm

Saturday 15 May 11am until 2pm

Saturday 15 Jun 10am until 1pm

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