18th October 2024





Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

Harvest Service at Church (Pupils only) – 22nd October Parents Evening – 22nd & 23rd October FOWS Meeting 8pm at Barchetta – 7th November FOWS Non-uniform day for rainbow raffle item donation – 22nd November FOWS School Hall Christmas Decorating - 28th November from 6pm FOWS Rainbow Raffle Class Hamper Judging - 6th December FOWS Christmas Fair - 11th December 4.30-7pm Elf Run – 13th December

All this information and more can be found on the School Calendar on our website https://www.wheelockprimary.co.uk/

Class News

Cygnets and Pufflings

A super week in Reception. In Literacy we have been creating story maps to retell the Squirrel's Busy Day. In Maths, we have been looking at the composition of numbers to 3. We have been collecting autumn treasures and learning all about changes that happen in Autumn. We have also learned about how animals prepare for Autumn. We have been exploring mixed media to create our own Autumn celebration pictures.

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

We have had a busy week in Year 1. In Literacy we have been 'purple polishing'! The children have loved writing with a purple pen and started to learn how to edit their writing and make it better. Well done Woodpeckers and Goldfinches.

In Maths we have looked at subtraction - using cubes and counters and physically taking quantities away. We have started to explore what this looks like on a part whole model too. This has been quite challenging so we have had lots of practical sessions this week.

Year 1 loved our Teddy Bears Picnic on Monday afternoon. It was great to meet all the teddy bears and listen to the children describing their bears. Mrs French's old bear was so different. We have looked at both the similarities and differences between old and modern teddies and made a simple time line to show this.

In Science we have continued to explore different materials. This week we have had to decide which fabric would be the best choice for a pair of curtains. See if your child can tell you how we chose the best fabric.

Owls and Robins

What a week Year 2 have had!

In Literacy, the children have been busy closely analysing our WAGOLL to see what techniques and features are used in letters. Now, armed with their knowledge of letter writing, the children have enthusiastically started writing their own letters warning our character, Tom, about the dangers he might face in the jungle, in the ocean, in mangroves or at a waterfall ... We can't wait to read the children's finished letters next week!

In Whole Class Reading, the children have finished our story "The Proudest Blue". This week, the children have been explaining what the main character could do if when they were upset and frustrated - using their own experiences for ideas. The children have also summarised the story and picked out the main points!

In Maths, the children have continued adding and subtracting. We have been focusing on accurately adding and subtracting 1s to numbers within 100. The children have used dienes (Base 10) to help solve problems - it has been a joy to see the children independently and carefully use the equipment to support their own learning. The children have also thought about adding by making 10 first.

In Science this week, we completed a quiz to test our knowledge of everyday materials! We were confident identifying objects and the materials they are made from and knowing which materials were / were not waterproof!

In PSHE, the children have been thinking about 'Our Class Charter' and their rights as children. We look at the 54 UNICEF rights that children have - we looked at the rights we chose to focus on for our 'Our Class Charter' at the start of the year, and thought about rights that we thought we should add now. After this, each child thought about someone in their class who was a role-model - someone who demonstrates our Wheelock Behaviours and supports our rights! We also finished our first module in 'myHappyMind'!

In Geography, the children have been learning about the Equator. We looked at what countries are near to the equator and on Kenya. The children then talked about the human and physical features in both the UK and Kenya - considering both the things that are similar and things that are different in those locations!

In Art, the children have been drawing an expressive character! After this, they have then created settings for a book that their character could appear in!

Sandpipers and Moorhens

Another busy week for Sandpipers and Moorhens. After weeks of immersing themselves in trap designs and language features, this week year 3 have been writing an Explanation on how their trap will capture the Iron Man. They have used expanded noun phrases, commas in lists and conjunctions well throughout. In maths, we have continued to use column method to add and subtract across the 10s and 100s. The children have used a variety of methods to secure their understanding. We finished our Science unit this week, so the children took part in a fun table quiz competition on their learning. In Moorhens, every table got 24/24 so it had to go down to tiebreaker questions! Year 3 had their last forest school session creating a fire, roasting marshmallows and peeling food. We would like to thank Miss Camm and Mrs Moses for an excellent half term of Forest school learning and fun! Next week we look forward to our church visit, Art days and our Iron Man themed STEM day. Please could children bring in any recycled material next Friday that they feel would be perfect for creating their own Iron Man model. We will be looking for the best ones to go on display in the middle area with their fantastic writing from this half term.

Kingfishers and Lapwings

Year 4 have had a great week this week. We are busy writing our persuasive magic show reports in Literacy and have been exploring different methods of adding and subtracting in methods. Forest school has been fantastic as we have had our fire session which all of the children have loved. We have also started our art project based on still life, the children have explored adding tints and shades to colours to create images that appear 3 dimensional. Next week we will work on creating our own compositions to draw and paint. Have a great weekend!

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week in maths, year 6 have continued to work on long division. They have also progressed onto mental calculations. Year 5 have been working on addition and subtraction written methods. During literacy, the children have been writing their bravery speeches. They are trying hard to use adventurous language and not write a story!

In science, the children learnt about levers, gears and pulleys. In RE, we talked about how we show commitments to school. During computing, we have continued our work on coding. In history, we have concluded our census unit. After half term we will be visited by the librarians who will look at a local census with us. We have continued to explore how to keep a healthy brain in PSHE.

The sunshine was glorious on Thursday. Let's hope it stays for a few more days. Have a great weekend!

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

| Class | Name | Reason |
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| Cygnets | Darcey | For creating a super story map. |
| Cygnets | Roan | For always showing the Wheelock behaviours! |
| Pufflings | Francis | For a fantastic week in school. |
| Pufflings | Eloise | For fantastic name writing in literacy this week. |
| Goldfinches | Hettie | For a great week – fantastic sitting on the carpet and great listening. |
| Goldfinches | Ewan | For using his words when needing help. |
| Woodpeckers | Amberley | For having a happy and positive week. |
| Woodpeckers | Clara | For always being engaged and enthusiastic about her learning. |
| Owls | Piper | For sharing fantastic knowledge in Geography! |
| Owls | Grace | For challenging herself in Literacy and writing exciting command sentences! |
| Robins | Maisie | For her lovely descriptive writing in her letter. |
| Robins | Olivia | For her great participation in our geography discussion this week. |

Key Stage Two

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| Sandpipers | Jacob | For a lovely explanation on how to capture the Iron Man and for a great attitude to his learning this week. |
| Sandpipers | Amber | For being enthusiastic during her forest school sessions in the woodland. |
| Moorhens | Louie | For a fantastic improvement in overall engagement and effort in all lessons. |
| Moorhens | Saffi | For being a fantastic support to other children in their learning. |
| Kingfishers | Darcie | For her attention to detail in art and thinking carefully about her techniques. |
| Kingfishers | Orla | For working really hard on her handwriting and pushing herself in Literacy. |
| Lapwings | Emily | for excellent work in maths. This week we have been trying to master some tricky new concepts, where we subtract with multiple exchanges and Emily has worked diligently to successfully learn the method and apply this to complex column subtractions. Well done Emily! |
| Lapwings | Ziah | For making me really proud this week, for upholding our school values by being respectful to a teacher covering Lapwings. He was polite, courteous, helpful and worked hard to complete his work. Well done Ziah, I am very proud of you! |
| Kestrels | Finn | For having a mature and sensible attitude - you are always polite and work hard! Well done! |
| Kestrels | Myla | For always looking out for other people – you are extremely caring and thoughtful. Well done! |
| Hawks | Roman | For excellent contributions to lessons, especially during our Picture News assemblies! |
| Hawks | Phoebe | For trying really hard to improve her writing so far this year. |
| Eagles | Karena | For excellent teamwork and investigation skills in Science. |
| Eagles | Harry | For excellent teamwork and investigation skills in Science. |
| The Hive | Sonny | For sharing with his peers and working as a team. |
| The Hive | Teddie | For being a kind and supportive member of the team. |

The Hive

The children have explored many craft and sporting activities in the Hive this week.

Hopefully the outdoor activities will be able to remain for little longer, weather and dark nights are looming.

As Halloween approaches the craft activities have been based on this topic. The children have enjoyed making pom pom spiders, flying bats and colourful pictures.

Please can I remind all parents to allow the Hive gate to close using the soft close system and also ensure the gate is closed behind you. Thank you.

FOWS NEWSLETTER

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We have some important dates for you and will be asking for your help please!

Friday 22nd November - non-uniform day for rainbow raffle item donation.

Thursday 28th November from 6pm - School hall Christmas Decorating!

Friday 6th of December- rainbow raffle class hamper judging.

Wednesday the 11th of December- Christmas fair 4.30-7pm

If you'd like to help us decorate the school hall or run a stall/craft or game for the Christmas Fair please do let us know!

Our next FOWS meeting will be Thursday the 7th of November.



Kind regards,

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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 (from September)

| Dates | Week 1 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 16.09.2024, 30.09.2024, | 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 |
| | 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 |
| 09.12.2024, | Jacket Potato | Tuna | Beans | Cheese & Beans | Tuna | Beans |
| San | Sandwich | Cheese | Tuna | Ham | Chicken | Cheese |
| | | Homemade Cake or | Homemade Biscuit or | Homemade Cake or | Homemade Biscuit or | Homemade Cake or |
| | Dessert | Fresh Fruit | Fresh Fruit | Fresh Fruit | Fresh Fruit | Fresh Fruit |
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| Dates | Dessert Week 2 | Fresh Fruit Monday | Fresh Fruit Tuesday | Wednesday | Fresh Fruit Thursday | Fresh Fruit Friday |
| W/C: 09.09.2024, | | | | | | |
| w/c: | Week 2 | Monday Hot Dog served with | Tuesday Mac & Cheese served with | Wednesday Roast Turkey served with Roast Potatoes, | Thursday Sausage Roll served with | Friday Chicken Burger served |
| W/C: 09.09.2024, 23.09.2024, 07.10.2024, 21.10.2024, | Week 2 Main Choice Vegetarian | Monday Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables Vegan Hot Dog served with Wedges & | Tuesday Mac & Cheese served with Garlic Bread Cheese & Tomato Pasta | Wednesday Roast Turkey served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy Vegan Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, | Thursday Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy Vegan Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & | Friday Chicken Burger served with Chips & Vegetables Vegetable Burger served with Chips & |
| W/C: 09.09.2024, 23.09.2024, 07.10.2024, 21.10.2024, 04.11.2024, | Week 2 Main Choice Vegetarian Choice | Monday Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables Vegan Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables | Tuesday Mac & Cheese served with Garlic Bread Cheese & Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread | Wednesday Roast Turkey served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy Vegan Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy | Thursday Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy Vegan Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy | Friday Chicken Burger served with Chips & Vegetables Vegetable Burger served with Chips & Vegetables |

Community News





