

20th September 2024



Wheelock
Primary School



Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

Whole School Photographs – 25th September

Sibling Photographs – 1st October

Reception Parents Phonics Talk – 1st October 4.30-5pm

Parents Evening – 22nd & 23rd October

All this information and more can be found on the School Calendar on our website

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

Message from Badged

‘During the back to school period, we experienced some system errors. We have been in contact with the provider, and they have advised that we will need to have an entire system update and perform a full stock take to rectify these issues; this involves closing for a few days. We will therefore be closing 3 days next week from Tuesday the 24th of September to Thursday the 26th of September with no access to the phone lines or our system.’

Hot Chocolate Writers

To celebrate writing achievements across our school, children are nominated by their class teacher for their amazing efforts in writing. The children's writing is then displayed in a frame in Mrs Whitehead and Mrs Watts' office. This afternoon, our Hot Chocolate Writers had hot chocolate and a biscuit with Mrs Watts to celebrate their creativity and hard work. Well done!



Sporting News

Football

We do apologise for the late cancellation of football on Monday 16th September. This decision was totally out of our hands and due to a double booking at the original venue. A new location for the football tournament is currently being organised. As soon as a new venue has been secured, we will let you and the children know. Thank you for your understanding.

Cross Country

Next Wednesday marks the first run of the school year. It is being held at St Johns CE Primary school. We wish all the runners the best of luck.

Class News

Cygnets and Pufflings

A fabulous week in Reception. We have been creating sorting rules and comparing amounts in Maths. In Literacy, we have been learning to read and write t, i, n, p. In our topic, we have been learning about our emotions and what we can do to regulate ourselves. We shared The Colour Monster to help us understand our emotions and now have lots of regulation strategies. We have also been learning self-care skills such as wiping our nose and washing our hands and we are now starting to do this without adult prompting. Great work, Reception!

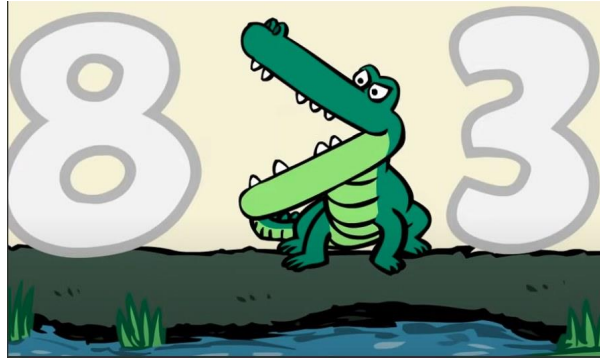
Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

It has been a busy week in Woodpeckers and Goldfinches. We have started to plan and write our own finding narrative about a missing Old Bear. The children have used their own plan and written their 'Octopus opening' to their stories. We can't wait to find out what happens next. Our reading focus this week has been all about Monsters! Using the story 'Not Now Bernard' by David McKee we

have been designing and describing our monster - we were very impressed with the great vocabulary used by the children.

In maths we have been comparing numbers using $<$, $>$ and $=$. This has been great fun as we imagine a greedy crocodile only ever eating the largest number. Don't forget to share the video at home to consolidate the maths learning this week.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M6Efzu2slal>¹



In History we have played with some old toys and started to think about the differences between these toys and the toys we have at home today. Our weekend challenge will give the children chance to talk about their parents' and grandparents' toys at home.

Owls and Robins

Year 2 have had a busy week! In Literacy, the children have been making their sentences more interesting by using sentence openers and conjunctions. The children have also started to analyse the structure and features of our WAGOLL 'A Journey on a River'. In Whole Class Reading, the children have been practising their retrieval skills to find missing words from our story 'The Invisible', as well as inferring what the main-character Isabel might wish for! In Maths, the children have continued to practice flexible partitioning of numbers to 100 and have been exploring place-value using number lines. In Geography, the children have been learning all about the coldest places on Earth – they especially enjoyed watching clips from Frozen Planet! In RE, we used the story of 'The Tax Collector' to consider how Jesus showed kindness. The children have thought about positive rewards and consequences in PSHE and have also begun their 'myHappyMind' journey by learning about their brains! Keep working hard, Year 2!

Sandpipers and Moorhens

This week year 3 have been busy gathering lots of ideas for their Iron Man threat narrative. We have lots of interesting vocabulary and similes scattered around our classrooms. In maths, we have been counting in 10s, 20s, 50s and 100s this week. We are very impressed with how the children have done on their first end of unit check today. In science, we have had our investigation caps on

¹<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DM6Efzu2slal&data=05%20Office%40wheelock.cheshire.sch.uk%20e54db300ec8b433c69dc08dcd8c2ae9e%20f47dd6c3b69848ec8856d2833cc429e4%200%20638623577926914596%20Unknown%20TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAilCjQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%20%20%20&sdata=SgFGAYR6ouAGLuINCoC17tnP9aWAODtXU7sE9bKWcNM%3D&reserved=0>

enquiring whether longer arms mean a further throw and longer legs mean a further jump. Year 3 were excited to have their first recorder lesson and really did well for their first attempt! Today year 3 will be bringing their logins home ready for their first set of home learning, which will be set on Monday. Home learning will then be due in the following Monday morning. Any questions about home learning, please look on our school website or contact the class teacher.

Kingfishers and Lapwings

Year 4 have had a fantastic week! The children have written setting descriptions and a magical poem in Literacy, we will now build to writing our own portal narrative next week. In maths, children have continued to gain a deeper understanding of place value within 4-digit numbers and are working on finding the multiples that come before and after given numbers. The children have loved science and setting up an investigation to see which liquid will cause tooth decay - we are using eggs for this as their shells are similar to our tooth enamel! In History, we have explored Stone Age artefacts and predicted what they have been used for - this has linked brilliantly to our Forest school sessions in which the children have started to create their own Stone Age style spears! A reminder that our meet the teacher information evening is next Thursday, we look forward to seeing you.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week in literacy, the children have started to plan and write their diary entries from Rose Blanche's perspective. They are working hard to make it emotive and use the techniques learnt so far this term.

In maths, we are continuing on our place value journey. The Year 5 children have been exploring numbers up to 1,000,000 whilst Year 6 have been using place value whilst adding and subtracting different integers.

In science, we have continued to explore friction by investigating grip on shoes. During PE, the children enjoyed Tag Rugby. In music, we are still using catchphrases and using tempo, pitch, crescendo and diminuendo to help create interesting sounds. Kestrels and Hawks have started to research animal temperature monitors, whilst Eagles are looking at art this half term. They are exploring Mayan art. In RE, the children learnt what a Puja Tray and worship is.

The children have received their homework books and have been set pages to be completed by next Thursday. Please ensure that you send your child in with outdoor shoes - we don't want to bring mud into the school.

We have really enjoyed the sunshine this week. We hope it stays with us during the weekend!

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Cygnets	Betsy	For working hard in Maths, Well done!
Cygnets	Ava	For being brave and coming into school with a smile on her face! Well done, Ava!
Pufflings	Jasper	For being a perfect role model in class, using kind manners and showing excellent listening skills.
Pufflings	Willow	For being a perfect role model in class, using kind manners and showing excellent listening skills.
Goldfinches	Nelly	For great independent writing this week.
Goldfinches	Arthur	For fantastic independence in his maths this week.
Woodpeckers	Emmy	For working really hard in maths.
Woodpeckers	Kit	For some good independent work in computing.
Owls	Poppy	For being aspirational with her learning and always challenging herself!
Owls	Arlee	For being resilient with his phonics learning!
Robins	Bella	For working incredibly hard on her maths using a number line.
Robins	Josh	For putting lots of effort into his literacy writing all week.

Key Stage Two

Sandpipers	Bonga	For a great attitude to learning in Literacy, making great progress with his sentences.
Sandpipers	Eric	For a fabulous attitude to learning, making a huge effort to improve his handwriting.
Moorhens	William	For growing in confidence and self-belief. A super week!
Moorhens	Harper	For displaying a great positive attitude towards her learning.
Kingfishers	Teddy	For showing great resilience in forest school to make his Stone Age Spear.
Kingfishers	Astrid	For making great contributions to class discussions this week.
Lapwings	Fearne	For always participating in lessons and being attentive and engaged. I can see that Fearne is working extremely hard in all subjects but especially in Literacy, where she is aiming to be the best writer she can be! Well done Fearne!
Lapwings	Conan	For great contributions to all of his lessons and for his fantastic focus. Conan, I love your drive and determination! Keep it up :)
Kestrels	Isabelle	For a wonderful piece of RE work on Puja worship - well done!
Kestrels	Ted	For a super effort when discussing emotions in French - très enthousiaste!
Hawks	Daisy	A super start to the beginning of what I am certain will be a very successful year in Year 6!
Hawks	Layton	A noticeable improvement in his approach to learning this year and excellent participation in this week's maths booster!
Eagles	Henry P-C	For excellent ideas and writing in Literacy this week
Eagles	Mia	For always being thoughtful and helpful around the classroom.
The Hive	Jasmine M	For being an excellent role model and caring for others.
The Hive	Sophia H	For being an excellent role model and caring for others.

The Hive

This week the children have been very busy creating crafts with materials from the outdoors. The weather has been kind to us, so we have embraced the time we have before the dark nights set in. Inside the children have enjoyed playing games of Lego, drawing and colouring with their friends.

This week we have welcomed the new arrivals from Reception. It has been lovely to see the older children take on roles for being play-buddies, showing the younger children where things are and helping them with the Hive routines.

As always thank you to the Sports Coaching team; the children really enjoy the time they have on the big field and Trim-Trail area.

The Hive team can be contacted via the school office. Please remember to cancel your bookings via the office if your child will not be attending a session. This will help with the morning and evening register, thank you.

FOWS NEWSLETTER



We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting which will take place on Thursday the 3rd of October at 8pm in Barchetta!

We will spend the first meeting welcoming new members and planning the events for the new school year. If you'd like to be involved, please do come along!

Kind regards,

Lisa Sumner

Chairperson

Friends of Wheelock School

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Get to know your PTA and find out how you can help.

Introduction to the FOWS team



FOWS is a group of around 20+ parents who raise funds for Wheelock School, we are a fairly new team and are always looking for new members, why not join us for a meeting and try us out!
It's a great place to meet other parents and make new friends.



Lisa Charlerson
Hi I'm Lisa Sumner and I'm the chair of Friends of Wheelock School. I'm a mum of two both at Wheelock. I work for myself part-time as a professional newborn and family photographer.

I joined FOWS to be more involved within the school community and to meet like-minded people. Little did I know I'd feel so passionate about it I'd become chairperson at my second meeting... Just shows what a glass of prosecco can do.



Becky R. Vize Chair
Becky Risham is co-vice chair and also works at a local nursery. She has two children at Wheelock.

Becky says "I joined FOWS to help fundraise and directly support events to enrich my children's school experience."



Maria C. Vice Chair
Maria Clapham is co-vice chair and also works as a teacher at a local secondary school. She has one child at Wheelock.

Maria says "I joined FOWS to get more involved in the community and meet some new people, so far it has definitely delivered on both of those!"



Becky B. Treasurer
Becky Banks is treasurer and has a daughter in year 4 and her son will join reception this year. She works in Community Development.

Becky says "I have met some great new friends in FOWS and I love that we can offer Wheelock kids a bit extra with the money we raise."



Becky M. Secretary
Becky Mulheal is the secretary of FOWS and she works as a midwife at Wythenshawe hospital. Her little girl is in year 3 at Wheelock.

Becky says "I initially joined FOWS to help fundraise meeting some new parents, having a glass of wine and offering a little help to raise some money for the school!"

How we raise funds

Christmas Pantomime Evening
School Disco
Chocolate Bingo
Summer Festival
Christmas Cards
Sponsored read

What we spend it on

EYF Funding
Playground upgrades
Wooded Equipment
Wooded Shelter
Special Assemblies
Treats
Leaver hoodies
Christmas Tree

How much we raised 2023-2024

Annual Profit
£9296.57



How can you get involved?



- **Most importantly: support us** - Support us on a basic level by donating prizes, money, sponsorship and by turning up to events. Join our facebook group and be part of your year group whatsapp chats to stay 'in the know'
- **Volunteer at events** - you don't need to be a FOWS member to volunteer - in fact about half our regular volunteers are not members and don't come to meetings. We cannot run events without man power and that's where our regular volunteers come in. Please do not hesitate to sign up when you see a call for volunteers come out - let's make it the best year yet!
- **Join the team!** If you'd like to join the FOWS team, just turn up to a meeting! They are advertised on our facebook group but are usually the first thursday of each month in Barchetta at 8pm. If you can't make meetings you can still be part of the team - just drop us a message or speak to a member.



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
W/C: 02.09.2024, 16.09.2024, 30.09.2024, 14.10.2024, 11.11.2024, 25.11.2024, 09.12.2024.	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
	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, 07.10.2024, 21.10.2024, 04.11.2024, 18.11.2024, 02.12.2024, 16.12.2024.	Main Choice	Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables	Mac & Cheese served with Garlic Bread	Roast Turkey served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Chicken Burger served with Chips & Vegetables
	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
	Jacket Potato	Cheese & Beans	Cheese	Tuna	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
	Sandwich	Tuna	Ham	Cheese	Tuna	Chicken
	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

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

SPORTS COACHING GROUP



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ENJOY
IMPROVE
ACHIEVE

HALF TERM 1 - 2024 / 2025
WHEELOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ball Games (Yr 1/2) Wednesday 11.09.24 - 23.10.24 3:15pm - 4:15pm £35 (7 weeks)	Football (Yr 3-6) Thursday 12.09.24 - 24.07.24 3:15pm - 4:15pm £35 (7 weeks)
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Click on the After School Clubs tab
Select your school, activity & Key Stage
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Make payment. This can be made via Credit/Debit Card or childcare vouchers.

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Open Evening

For Year 5 and 6 Parents and Carers

Thursday 26 September 2024
5-8pm



Headteacher's talks
5.15pm and 6.15pm



DRAMA & MUSICAL THEATRE CLASSES

Performing Arts training led by industry professionals

Join us for our trial classes day:

 Saturday 26th October

 Warrington Village Hall,
Sandbach

Classes available for ages 5-8

Discount available for siblings

*Classes will continue at Sandbach
Town Hall from January



Cheshire East Performing Arts is founded and led by industry professionals, with experience performing in London's West End! Our classes offer students an exciting opportunity to practise their craft, develop performance skills, build confidence, have fun and make friends, in a supportive learning environment. Join us - Jess & Joe - on our trial classes day on Saturday 26th October!

Request further info and our online booking form by emailing info@cheshireeastperformingarts.co.uk

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CLASSES BEGIN
IN JANUARY