

22nd September 2023



Wheelock
Primary School



Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

Whole School Photographs – 27th September

Macmillan Coffee Morning – 29th September

Year 6 Crucial Crewe Safety Event – 4th October

EYFS Stay & Play – 12th October

Whole School Harvest Assembly – 17th October

Flu Nasal Spray Immunisation – 3rd November

Parents Evening – 15th & 16th November

Online Safety Events and Competition

Online Safety Assemblies

This week the junior safety officers and our children from the Eagles class delivered their first online safety message to their assigned class in the school. We are very proud of Isla, Megan, Austin and Jason for organising such an important message about how to balance how much screen time we have. Eagles' pupils disseminated the message across EYFS-Year6 with confidence and read a very thought-provoking poem about the dangers of too much gaming.

Online Safety Day

Today at Wheelock, we have enjoyed a day of learning and activities based around keeping safe online. Across the school, the children have focused on:

- *Who helps us stay safe online?*
- *Think before you click!*
- *Health, lifestyle and wellbeing*

- *Importance of Passwords*
- *Gaming*
- *Social media and online bullying*
- *Online reputation and relationships*
- *Artificial intelligence*

We invite you to our Online Safety Event on Monday 25th September from 3:30-5pm to share in your child's learning and other exciting activities. (See separate email for further information).



Time to get your creative thinking cap on!

How can you remind Wheelock children how to stay safe online?

A catchy song?

A thought-provoking poem?

An eye-catching poster?

A rap?

A mnemonic?

A coded game?



Rec - Yr 1:

Win an LCD drawing tablet



Yr 2- Yr 4:

Win a 'Makey Makey'



Yr 5 & 6=

Win a 'Micro:bit'



Closing date: Friday 29th September

Entries to Miss Wilkins and Mr Owen

Monday 25th
September

Time- 3:30pm-5pm
Where- School hall



Please join us after school on Monday 25th September with your parent/carer to share in everything you have been learning to help keep yourself safe online.

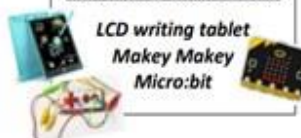
What to expect?



- Raffles / competitions
- Interactive activities
- Examples of children's work
- Top tips for parents/carers
- Explore our physical computing equipment: Beebots / Makey Makeys / Micro:bits / Spheros
- Refreshments



Child Competition Prizes:



Class News

Penguins and Puffins

A super week, Reception - Well done! We have been very busy again with lots of new learning. ★

We have been working hard in our Phonics lessons and learned 5 new sounds; t, i, n, p, g. We will be super readers in no time if we keep working hard to practise our sounds at home. We are also working hard on our pencil grip using nip, flip and grip to help if we find it tricky. We are enjoying the formation rhymes to help us form our letters. In Maths, we have been continuing with matching, sorting and comparing objects and have started to compare size and mass, using vocabulary such as big, small, heavy, light. We have had lots of fun comparing different things in our provision.

Our topic this half term is 'It's good to be me!' We are now learning all about our school community and have learned about different roles in school this week. We have started to explore our Autumnal items too so thank you to you all for bringing those to share. Thank you also to our mystery readers. The children loved sharing a story with you!

We're looking forward to another exciting week next week! ✨

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

We have had a great week in Year 1 this week. In Literacy we have used an example text to look at how a story can be structured. We have found lots of adjectives and also began to use time connectives to help us to order the story - First, next, after a while, Finally. We have had fun using story circles to retell the story, using pictures clues to help us to recall the key events. We finished

the week by writing a story opener using 'First' - We have been very impressed with lots of children's writing this week. Well done Goldfinches and Woodpecker's.

In Maths we have revisited one more and one less - using concrete apparatus - cubes, ten frames, counters but also recording our thinking using number tracks and solving simple problems. Year One are enjoying the challenge of their new Maths Workbooks.

In History this week we welcomed two Great-Grandmas to our classrooms to find out about toys in the past. The children asked lots of great questions and were surprised to find out lots of things. See if your child can tell you what they found out. Thank you again to our visitors - it was great to hear your memories.

We finished the week with our 'Safer Internet Day'. In Year One we have focused on 'Think before you click'. We learnt a song, made a 'Tell a Grown-up' medal and watched lots of information video clips about 'pop-ups'.

Owls and Robins

It has been a busy and productive week this week in Year 2. We have started to analyse our text in literacy by looking at specific features of a narrative and using them with our own ideas.

In maths, we have been working on using the part whole model to demonstrate how a number can be split.

Also this week, we have had some visitors in the classroom to talk about their experience at school in the past. This was a fantastic discussion and the children loved it. Thank you to our volunteers for taking your time to do this.

Today we have also looked at online safety. Our focus was health and well-being linked to using the internet. Please come and see what we did on Monday at the fair.

Have a lovely weekend.

Sandpipers, Swans and Kingfishers

Another busy week in year 3 & 4!

In English we have analysed the Example Text and found features that we are going to need in our own setting descriptions. We have thought carefully about suitable vocabulary and found similes to help develop an image for the reader.

We have continued our work on Place Value in Maths, developing our understanding of 3- and 4-digit numbers. We have also started to practice some arithmetic questions that we will continue to look at throughout the year.

As artists this week we have looked at creating shade and tone within our drawings. We have practiced using different pencil strokes to create different effects.

In French we have reminded ourselves of the numbers 1 -10 and then thought about different classroom instructions in French and created our own mini posters based on our learning.

We have ended the week with our Online Safety Day and thought about how we can keep ourselves safe when online. Year 3 & 4 had the focus of gaming and have talked about the different risks that can come with online gaming. We look forward to sharing our work with you on Monday.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

Another busy week for our oldest children.

This week in literacy, the children have focussed on spag elements. We have looked at dashes, modal verbs and suffixes. The children have worked hard to remember lots of tricky vocabulary.

In maths, year 6 have moved onto revising written methods for addition and subtraction. Year 5 have been focussing on place value. They have explored rounding different numbers.

During science, the children reviewed the main parts of the circulatory system. They generated their own game too which demonstrated their learning. In RE, the children learnt about important Hindu symbols. During history, we explored Viking trade routes. We continued to enjoy our computing lessons with MGL. The children looked at using Excel.

Finally, the children have enjoyed a day looking at online safety. We explored internet trolls and how to deal with one. They also learnt about the positive me and negatives of AI.

A really productive week- well done year 5/6. Have a great weekend.

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Penguins	Carter	For giving his all in all that he does and working super hard to improve his letter formation. Keep up the amazing work, Carter!
Penguins	Nelly	For showing great listening on the carpet and joining in with all of our learning. Keep being a super star, Nelly!
Puffins	Jaxx	For brilliant imagination and talking through ideas.
Puffins	Coen	For fantastic concentration with the Lego and talking through ideas.
Goldfinches	Autumn	For a week full of good choices.
Goldfinches	Bella	For a super hardworking week - great work in maths, phonics and literacy.
Woodpeckers	Louie	For holding a sentence in phonics and writing it beautifully.
Woodpeckers	Poppy	For asking some fantastic questions in History.
Owls	Reuben	For his fantastic observational sketch of a shark teddy.
Owls	Sophie	For always being a great example of the Wheelock behaviours.
Robins	Felicity	For being a fantastic, supportive class member.
Robins	Saffi	For always setting a fantastic example to her peers and working her hardest.

Key Stage Two

Swans	Holly	For showing focus, listening and determination.
Swans	Emily	For improved determination and effort to finish tasks.
Sandpipers	Jessica	For always having beautifully presented work and always giving 100% towards her learning.
Sandpipers	Mia	For having a positive attitude towards her learning and always willing to help others.
Kingfishers	Arabella	For overcoming any concerns about her Forest School experiences and engaging well with the natural environment.
Kingfishers	Lily	For overcoming any concerns about her Forest School experiences and engaging well with the natural environment.
Kestrels	Megan	For smashing the first arithmetic paper of the year! 40/40 well done!
Kestrels	Esmae	For settling into life at Wheelock so brilliantly. It's like you've always been here. Well done!
Hawks	Roman	For excellent contributions to our Online Safety discussions in class today!
Hawks	Darcie	For working hard and always being kind to others.
Eagles	Mya	For a super start to rounding numbers and finding place value with larger numbers.
Eagles	Cody	For always trying his best as well as making people smile and laugh.
The Hive	Audrey	For being a super star helper in the Hive.
The Hive	Lyra, Imogen & Phoebe	For being kind, helpful and inspirational to others in the Hive.

The Hive

It's been another busy week in the Hive this week. The children have enjoyed playing football and dodge ball with Mr Sutton.

We have seen many Lego creations made by children for across the school.

The new Reception children have really settled in well now and many friendships have been made.

Can I just highlight the importance of the privacy of the gate code, this code should only be for adult eyes. We have had to change the code this week. If you have not received this please ask the staff member when signing your child into the Hive. This code will not be emailed for safeguarding reasons.

The praise certificates have been well earned this week, thank you to all of the helpers in the Hive team.

Have a lovely weekend

FOWS NEWSLETTER

🍁🍁 Welcome back to the new term! 🍁🍁

We have some exciting things coming up and we would love you to be involved:

🍰 **29th of September at 9.15am in the school hall - MacMillan Coffee Morning**

Bring a cake and reusable cup and join us for a chat and coffee - we hope you can make it.

🗓️ [5th October at 8pm in Barchetta - Friends of Wheelock School committee meeting](#)

We start the years meetings next month, if you are thinking of joining the PTA please do come along to this meeting and see what we are all about. There is no pressure to join, it's just a good chance for a glass of wine and a chat and you will find out how you can be more involved with the school.

🤗 We are also doing a drive to encourage more to enter our monthly school lottery - it's a great way to support the PTA without time commitments and you can win some money too! Every month 3 winners are drawn to win cash amounts! If you'd like to take part, there are details on how to join on our Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/wheelockfows>

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Chairperson

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**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

Friends of Wheelock School are hosting a
Macmillan coffee morning

When? Friday 29th of September at 9.15am
Where? Wheelock School main hall
What do I need to bring?

- Your own mug/reusable cup
- Some cake to share (shop bought or home baked with allergens noted)
- Some tupperware to take home extra cake!
- A donation to Macmillan or ability to make a contactless donation.

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Spooky
SATURDAY
28th October
3pm to 6pm

The Cobbles and
St Mary's Church
Hall Sandbach

Fancy Dress Competition | Street
Dance | Arts & Crafts | Face
Painting | Toy Swap Shop | Street
Theatre and more!!

**All are welcome at this
FREE FAMILY EVENT**

Funded by Sandbach Town Council and Sandbach Partnership

The poster features a large white moon in the center with the event details. The background is orange with silhouettes of bats, a witch, and ghosts. The text is in various fonts, including a dripping 'SATURDAY'.



ALLSTARS HOLIDAY CLUBS PRESENTS
TRICK'S & TREAT'S

23RD OCTOBER - 27TH OCTOBER 2023
HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CLUB
9AM - 3.15PM WRAPAROUND CARE AVAILABLE 8AM - 5.30PM
STRICTLY LIMITED AVAILABILITY. BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

ONLY £19.99 PER DAY

*Apple bobbin, Ghost bustin,
Pumkin carvin, Slime splattin
Face paintin, Mask makin,
Monster mashin, FUN*

**ELWORTH HALL PRIMARY SCHOOL
LAWTON WAY
SANDBACH, CW111TE**

WWW.WEAREALLSTARS.CO.UK/HOLIDAY-CLUBS

The poster has a purple and orange color scheme with a starry background. It includes icons of a spiderweb, bats, and a skull. At the bottom, there are icons for a no smoking sign, a no alcohol sign, and a no mobile phones sign.