

31st January 2025



Wheelock
Primary School



Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

January 2025

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

February 2025

4th February – Year 1 & 2 Phonics Information Evening (Parents Invited)

12th & 13th February – Parents Evenings

13th February – FOWS Meeting at Barchetta 7.30pm

14th February School Closes

24th February – School Opens

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

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

Elf Run 2024 - Update

I am thrilled to be able to confirm that you raised **£2,615.16!** Congratulations on raising such a great amount. The money you have raised will help to support local families on a very difficult journey; it will help to provide medical and nursing care, bereavement support for both adults and children, and care for carers including those living with Dementia. Well done Wheelock!!

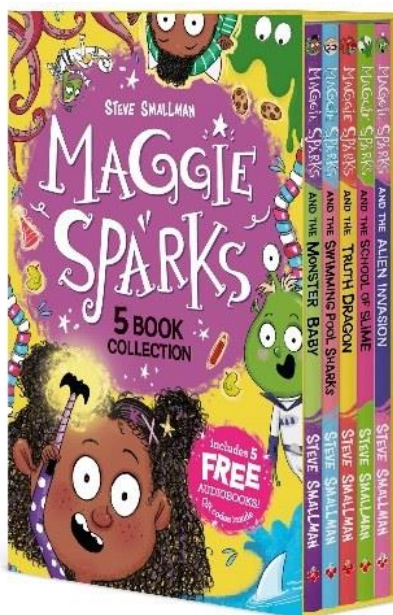
Reading Ambassadors Recommendations!

Our reading ambassadors would like to recommend different books that they have thoroughly enjoyed. We will share these with you!

Martha (Year 3 ambassador)

The Maggie Sparks series by Steve Smallman

Maggie Sparks is a small witch who is full of mischief and fizzing with MAGIC. It's got a bit of everything, funny bits and dramatic bits! I would give it 10/10!



joining techniques that we have explored Our designs look amazing and we are looking forward to see how they turn out.

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Owls and Robins

Another wonderful week in Year 2!

In Literacy, the children completed their “hot write”. The children have written some fantastic 'finding narratives' where they discovered an imaginary creature. We have been especially impressed by the children’s enthusiasm and editing skills!

In Maths, the children have continued to demonstrate their excellent understanding of money. The children have been learning how to: select the correct notes/coins, making values in different ways, comparing values & adding values too! Can your child correctly identify different notes / coins? NumBots continues to be a big-hit with the children and we are thrilled to see the children aspire and challenge themselves to complete the different levels!

Lots of fun was had in Science this week where the children explored the school-grounds to find habitats and microhabitats. The children thoroughly enjoyed finding different mini-beasts and were great at explaining why they were suited to their microhabitats. Can your child recall why woodlice are often found under logs?

In Geography, the children have been busy learning about amazing places around the world. The children used Google Maps to locate the continents of famous places such as Mount Etna and the Great Pyramids of Giza!

In RE, the children have continued their learning about the Islamic faith. This week the children have learned about the different ways in which Muslims show respect to Allah.

In PSHE the children thoughtfully engaged in their second “appreciation” lesson in myHappyMind. As well as this, the children thought more about “dreams and goals”. In teams, they had a goal to be able to learn and recite a poem by the end of the lesson – we loved seeing the children’s confidence during this session and they were very reflective on what went well / what they could do better next time!

Keep it up Year 2!

Sandpipers and Moorhens

Year 3 have continued enjoying their swimming lessons and are making great progress. In literacy we have started looking into how to write a letter and the genre features. We have started our new maths unit on Length and the children enjoyed measuring wingspan with

metre sticks. We've researched why the Roman army were so successful in our history lessons. In science, we have learnt about igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks. We have continued learning all about gratitude in my happy mind and showing kindness and generosity to others.

Kingfishers and Lapwings

We have already reached another weekend! Year 4 have continued to enjoy their swimming sessions and we have seen some incredible progress in their confidence and ability. In maths this week the children have been focusing on division and have learnt methods to divide 2-digit numbers and numbers with remainders. In literacy the children have researched and gathered information about waterfalls as this will be the focus of their information leaflet that they will begin to write next week. In science the children worked in groups to explore whether different materials are conductors or insulators within the classroom. The children are enjoying our current art unit and have been busy sculpting soap using a range of tools into different types of fish. Yet another busy week! Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week in maths, year 6 completed an arithmetic paper. We wanted to identify any gaps in their learning. Year 5 have looked at fractions of amounts and multiplying fractions.

In literacy, we have been writing paragraphs in explanation texts. The children have used information to write factually.

In science, we have learnt about plant reproduction. During history, the children learnt about Athens and Sparta. They decided where they would prefer to live. In RE, we discussed fatso g and how this shows commitment. In PSHE, the children have identified what jobs they would like to do when they are older.

Year 5 had a fantastic singfest rehearsal on Tuesday afternoon. The children were noted for their enthusiasm and hard work. They were also commended on their behaviour- well done year 5! Year 6 had an afternoon in the woods where they continued to work on their bridges structure.

An excellent week- well done everyone. We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Cygnets	Lottie	For working hard in Phonics and making super progress.
Cygnets	Millie	For super sentence writing – well done!
Pufflings	Charlie and Billy	For always thinking about others and including their friends and adults in their play.
Goldfinches	Harry	For super speedy doubles in Maths this week.
Goldfinches	Sienna	For good progress in phonics this week.
Woodpeckers	Logan	For trying hard to persevere when his learning gets tough.
Woodpeckers	Riley	For being a supportive talk partner – sharing his ideas and listening to others.
Owls	Piper	For being aspirational with her “Hot Write” in Literacy!
Owls	The Whole Class	For their amazing behaviour and attitude to learning over the last two days.
Robins	Ava	For always doing the right thing and showing Wheelock behaviours at all times.
Robins	Dylan	For working hard in Literacy to write two correctly spelt sentences independently.

Key Stage Two

Sandpipers	Eric	For being a helpful, supportive member of the class during our learning in History.
Sandpipers	Leo	For regularly reading and challenging himself with the books he reads.
Moorhens	Olivia and Matilda	For always working to the best of their ability in all subjects and making great progress. Well done!
Kingfishers	Tashi and Aurora	For pushing themselves in swimming and showing great resilience.
Lapwings	Gabriela	For showing huge determination and resilience at swimming, to achieve her Gold certificate. She has been swimming 3 or 4 times each week for the last 2 weeks and the coaches have been extremely impressed with the progress that she has made and how focused and aspirational she has been! Well done Gabriela!
Lapwings	Rufus	For his maturity and independence at swimming. He has organised himself and got himself changed and ready for swimming with little/no support, and taken responsibility for himself at swimming. He has also shown himself to be a really strong swimmer! Well done Rufus!
Kestrels	Finley	For working so hard in Maths to challenge himself in Maths – he is really pushing his abilities! Well done!
Kestrels	Lily	For using lots of different strategies to support her writing – they are working so well! Well done!
Hawks	Wren	For excellent writing. I can really see how you are developing both your sentence structures and vocabulary. Well done!
Hawks	Daisy	For always striving to be and do her best in everything that she does. Well done Daisy!
Eagles	Sophia H	For showing excellent reciprocity in class by listening to others and working well in teams.
Eagles	Sophia T	For showing excellent resilience by showing excellent concentration skills and persevering in her lessons.
The Hive	Layla and Harriet	For their wonderfully created Lego structure.

The Hive

As ever the children have been busy enjoying the craft activities that have been carefully planned by Kerry. This week the children made snakes as the topic was 'Chinese New Year'.

Outdoors the children have played football, cricket and other ball games.

Indoors many Lego creations have been made with children sharing their ideas with other to make small villages and vehicles.

This week the Hive gate code has had to be changed again. This code must not be shared with your child, equally it must not be shared on a WhatsApp chat group. Please be mindful when putting in the code, it is for the safety of all children who attend the Hive that this code is for adult use only.

FOWS NEWSLETTER

♥♥ News from FOWS ♥♥

Our next PTA meeting will be held on Thursday, 13th February, and we'd love for you to join us. It's a great opportunity to get involved, share ideas, and help make a difference for our school community.

At the meeting, we will also be drawing the Wheelock of Fortune winners for both January and February! If you'd like to be in with a chance to win, there's still time to enter. It's just £1 per month per number, and every entry helps to support our fundraising efforts. To find out how to take part, please email fowscontact@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you there and thank you for your continued support!

Friends of Wheelock School (FOWS)

fowscontact@gmail.com

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

NEW Spring Menu

Dates	Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 06.01.2025, 20.01.2025, 03.02.2025, 03.03.2025, 17.03.2025, 31.03.2025.	Main Choice	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread & Vegetables	Chicken Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables	Roast Beef served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Cottage Pie served with Vegetables & Gravy	Fish & Chips served with Vegetables
	Vegetarian Choice	Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread & Vegetables	Veggie Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegan Sausage served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegan Dippers served with Chips & Vegetables
	Jacket Potato	Cheese	Tuna	Beans	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
	Sandwich	Tuna	Ham	Cheese	Tuna	Ham
	Dessert	Homemade Shortbread or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Chocolate Crunch or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Shortbread or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Muffin or Fresh Fruit

Dates	Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 13.01.2025, 27.01.2025, 10.02.2025, 24.02.2025, 10.03.2025, 24.03.2025.	Main Choice	Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Sausage & Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Roast Turkey served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Beef Burger served with Chips & Vegetables	All-Day Breakfast
	Vegetarian Choice	Vegan Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Meatballs & Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Vegan Sausage served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Veggie Fingers served with Chips & Vegetables	All-Day Vegan Breakfast
	Jacket Potato	Beans	Cheese	Tuna	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
	Sandwich	Ham	Tuna	Cheese	Ham	Cheese
	Dessert	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Chocolate Crunch or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit

All cakes, biscuits and pizza bases are homemade on the premises
All meat and poultry products are supplied fresh by Anderton's Butchers

Community News



FEBRUARY HALF-TERM

CRASH COURSES



Join us this half-term for discounted swimming crash courses!

MONDAY - FRIDAY
1 - 2-1 LESSONS
STAGE SWIMMING
SANDBACH AND MIDDLEWICH HUBS

SAVE £50 ON 1-2-1'S AND £5 ON STAGE SWIMMING

BOOK HERE:

MIDDLEWICH



SANDBACH



swimming@sportscoachinggroup.co.uk



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We teach water safety and lifesaving skills,
in a fun and safe way!



Why not join us (age 7+)?

Find out more

Enquire for a free taster session!

Saturday mornings 07:45 to 08:45am at Crewe Lifestyle Centre

Contact: creweneptune@gmail.com
[facebook.com/creweneptuneslifesavingclub](https://www.facebook.com/creweneptuneslifesavingclub)



Parents and Carers Coffee Morning



All Welcome

Join us for coffee and cake

Joined by

Joan Sherry (CEAT)

10 Top Tips for Parents and Carers

When:

7th February

Time:

9am - 10am

Where:

St Peter's Church Hall

Please email to confirm attendance
cara.marrow@elworthce.cheshire.sch.uk





SANDBACH



FEBRUARY FRENZY

half-term holiday clubs

- ▶ **10% OFF** Book before January 31 on multi-sports clubs
- ▶ **WHEN?** February 17-21
- ▶ **WHERE?** Sandbach Boys' School
- ▶ **TIME:** 8.45am-3.15pm (late and early pick-ups available)
- ▶ **WOW!** Sports specific camps!
- ▶ **amazing** multi-sports clubs



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SANDBACH FEBRUARY FRENZY

Specialist camps

- ✔ Mon, Feb 17: Football (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✔ Tues, Feb 18: Hockey (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✔ Wed Feb 19: Swim/splash (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✔ Thurs, Feb 20: Cricket (8.45am-3.15pm)
- ✔ Fri, Feb 21: Dance (8.45am-3.15pm)

Multi-sports clubs

- ✔ Basketball, tennis, archery
- ✔ Dodgeball, gymnastics
- ✔ Arts, crafts, dance

Scan QR code to book

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

SPORTS COACHING GROUP
ENJOY
IMPROVE
ACHIEVE



Football

Tuesday
Yr 3-6
25.02.25 - 01.04.25
3:15 - 4:15
£30 (6 weeks)

- What does my child need?
- Old trainers/football boots
 - PE kits
 - Water bottle

Multi-Sports

Thursday
Yr 1/2
27.02.25 - 03.04.25
3:15 - 4:15
£30 (6 weeks)

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

Click [HERE](#) to book HT4

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Sandbach

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Contact us at repaircafe@sandbachpartnership.co.uk

Operated by Sandbach Partnership

2025 grant funding by CHESHIRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

<p>Saturday 18 Jan 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 15 Feb 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 15 Mar 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 19 Apr 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 17 May 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 14 Jun 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 19 Jul 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 20 Sept 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 18 Oct 11am until 2pm</p> <p>Saturday 15 Nov 11am until 2pm</p>	
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2025 CARNIVAL

Coming to Trentham 14th February - 2nd of March. Join us for a brand new jaw dropping, heart stopping production!

TICKETS



**USE CODE:
TRFT5**

applicable when you purchase 4x tickets on ringside and premium ringside seating. T's & C's apply

BOOK HERE

A poster for a Junior Scientists event. It features two girls in white lab coats and safety goggles working in a lab. The text includes 'JUNIOR SCIENTISTS', 'SATURDAY 1ST FEBRUARY', '9.30AM TO MIDDAY', and 'event'. The Queen's School logo is at the bottom, with 'GIRLS AGED 4-18'. There are also small icons of a girl scientist and a beaker.

JUNIOR SCIENTISTS

SATURDAY 1ST FEBRUARY event

9.30AM TO MIDDAY



JOIN OUR
**Spectacular
Junior
Scientist
Event**

THE
QUEEN'S SCHOOL
GIRLS AGED 4-18



SANDBACH
YOUTH THEATRE
MIDDLEWICH

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

