

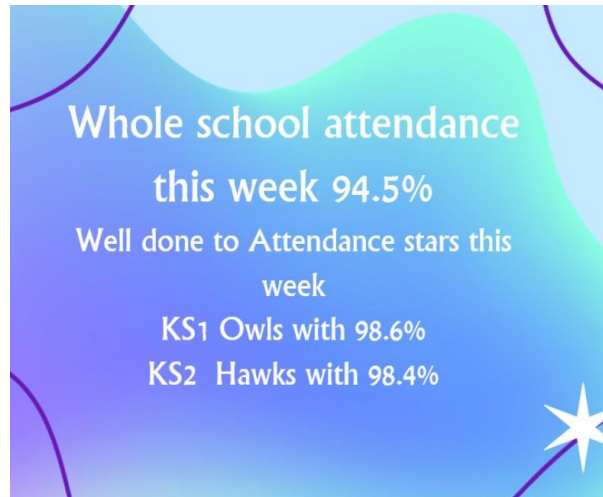
5th June 2026



Wheelock
Primary School



Newsletter



Dates for your Diary

June 2026

8th June – Year 4 Cadbury World Trip

10th June – Year 5 and Year 6 Ama-Sing We Rise!

11th June – Year 3 Ama-Sing Once Upon a Musical!

11th June – Town Sports

19th June – Sports Day (KS2 – am, EYFS & KS1 – pm)

25th & 26th June – Year 6 Transition Days

26th June – Reserve Sports Day

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

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

Wellbeing Newsletter

Cheshire East Best Start Family Hubs provide sponsorship of togetherness.co.uk to make invaluable NHS learning and content free for local parents. Please find below the link to the wellbeing news update from the Togetherness team. Togetherness is an online learning environment developed by psychologists and health practitioners providing accessible learning about emotional health and wellbeing, proven to positively impact mental health, behaviour and relationships.

[Togetherness - Newsletter June 2026](#)

Float to Live



FLOAT TO LIVE

If in difficulty in water

1. Lie on your back with your head back and ears submerged.
2. Use your arms and legs to stabilise yourself.
3. Let your breathing come back to normal.
4. Shout for help or paddle on your back until you can leave the water.

If you see someone in difficulty

1. Do not enter the water.
2. Call 999 and ask for Fire or Coastguard.
3. If there's life-saving equipment or an object nearby that will float throw it to the person.
4. Or try to reach them with a pole made out of anything to hand, such as a tree branch.
5. Keep sight of the person, wait for rescue service and give directions to save them searching.

School Uniform Supplier

Badged Uniform are now click and collect from their new premises. Customers will be advised when their order is ready and how they can collect.

No shop, No queues, No uniform admin, just a seamless fully managed online service for your school community. Parents can order 24/7 from home or on the go, with real time product availability and 100% of orders dispatched within 7 days avoiding summer queues and inconvenient fittings. Free delivery on orders over £50.00



Pupil Achievements

A few of our pupils took part in the Great Manchester Run event at the Etihad Stadium last Saturday 30th May.

Up to 2000 young people participated in the running event. Arthur (Year 4) and Isaac (Year 3) took part in the Mini's race, taking 1st and 2nd place respectively.

Lowen and Henry (both year 6), also took part in the Juniors race and finished competitively.

Congratulations to all the boys.



Last bank holiday, Rufus Sumner from year 5 spent 5 days down in Wolverhampton for the National Games which is run by the Dwarf Sports Association. This is a fantastic event which showcases the sporting talents of people with dwarfism like Rufus from across the whole of the UK and beyond!

He was competing in the under 14s category this year which meant that the competition was incredibly difficult! In one of Rufus's swimming races, the person who won swam almost as fast as Ellie Simmons at that age! Rufus was really lucky to come home with one silver medal which he won as part of his hockey team. In total, he took part in 4 swimming races, a hockey match, throwing events - javelin, discus and shot put and weightlifting!

The most important part of the weekend for Rufus is to spend time with people who are more like him than anyone else he sees day to day. He loves this part of the weekend and it was lovely to catch up with friends.



Class News

Cygnets and Pufflings

A super first week back! In Drawing Club we have enjoyed the story of 'The Storm Whale', the children thought it was rather funny that the little boy, Noi, took a whale back to his house to look after! We are continuing to work on our writing independence in readiness for Year 1.

In Maths we have recapped 'more' and 'fewer', using our subitising skills, rekenreks and cubes. We have also been practising quick recall of one more and one less for numbers to 10 - see if your children can show you this at home!

Our topic work focused on sea creatures, which the children have loved learning about, and we will be continuing this theme next week. We also started a special piece of artwork linked to the story 'The Dot', which involved coffee filters, felt tip pens and a water sprayer! The children were mesmerised by the outcome and we look forward to sharing these with you soon. Have a lovely weekend 😊.

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

It has been another busy and engaging week of learning in Year 1!

A key focus this week has been Phonics, as we prepare for the Phonics Screening Check starting next week. The children are working incredibly hard and making fantastic progress. Please continue to practise phonics at home using the yellow books and QR codes over the weekend and into next week—this is so important at this stage and will really support their confidence.

In Literacy, we have been immersing ourselves in our new class text, *The Last Wolf*. The children have shown great enthusiasm as they explore the story, discussing characters, themes and making predictions about what might happen next.

In Maths, we have been focusing on numbers to 100. The children have been developing their understanding of counting, ordering, and recognising numbers, and are becoming more confident when working with larger numbers.

In Science, we have been learning about plants. The children have been identifying and sorting different objects to decide which are plants and which are not, helping them to understand the key features of living things.

We also had some wonderful enrichment experiences this week:

- On Monday, visitors from the church came in to reenact the story of Joseph and his Dreamcoat. The children thoroughly enjoyed bringing the story to life and engaging with it in such an interactive way.
- On Tuesday, the library service visited us, sharing information about the library and reading some engaging stories. This was a fantastic opportunity to inspire a love of reading and help children learn how they can access books outside of school.

In our Whole Class Reading, we have been enjoying *Fantastic Mr Fox*. The children have loved following the clever adventures of Mr Fox and are developing their comprehension skills through discussion and questioning.

It has been a fantastic week of learning and exploration—well done, Year 1!

A final reminder—please keep up daily phonics practice at home. Thank you for your continued support!

Owls and Robins

What a wonderful week!

This week in Literacy, Year 2 have fully “immersed” themselves into our new text - Grandad’s Island! The children made predictions about the text, wrote a descriptive poem, explored new vocabulary AND wrote a setting description! WOW!

In Maths, we have been exploring different methods that can be used to solve problems!

In Science, the children started an experiment into “germination” and what is needed for this to take place! The children are keeping a bean diary all week to track any changes!

We started our new topic in PSHE which focuses on “changing”. We talked about life-cycles this week and the children enjoyed drawing their own life-cycles for different plants and animals! We talked about the different feelings that can come when something “changes” and how this is normal!

We had a noisy Music lesson this week where we looked at “pitch”. The children were excellent at spotting different pitches and enjoyed playing pitch patterns on the Glockenspiel!

In Geography, we started to think about the coast. The children learned about the seas / oceans which surround the UK!

Finally, in RE we started our topic on Judaism! This week we focused on special places and how they make us feel.

Keep it up Year 2!

Sandpipers and Moorhens

In Year 3 this week, we have started learning how to calculate the duration of time between two given times. We have used practical strategies as well as number lines to support our understanding. What a great and busy week it has been!

In literacy, we began our new text Into the Forest by Anthony Browne. The children have enjoyed exploring the rich imagery, especially the hidden fairy tale references, while also deepening their understanding of prepositions to describe time and place.

In science, we have started an exciting new unit on plants, discussing what plants need to grow, and we will be carrying out some engaging experiments over the next few weeks.

In geography, we have launched our new unit on settlements, where we have been learning about the differences between towns, cities and villages, as well as exploring settlement patterns such as nuclear, linear and dispersed.

In PSHE, we have explored how people change over time by looking at the differences between babies, children and adults.

In music, we have started a new unit on ballads. The children loved listening to and rating different examples of ballads, and we even had a sneaky sing-along to Whitney Houston!

Kingfishers and Lapwings

We have had a fantastic start to our new half term in Year 4 and have enjoyed lots of exciting learning across the curriculum. In Maths, we have been developing our understanding of time, beginning with years, months, weeks and days before moving on to hours, minutes and seconds. The children have worked hard to read both analogue and digital clocks and have challenged themselves to convert times into the 24-hour clock. We have been impressed by the perseverance and determination they have shown when tackling these tricky concepts.

In Literacy, we were delighted to begin exploring our new quality text, Manfish. The children have already shown great curiosity about the story and have enjoyed discovering fascinating new vocabulary linked to the book, including words such as aqualung. We look forward to using this rich text to inspire our reading and writing over the coming weeks.

In DT, we reflected on our learning from last half term's Electricity topic and used our scientific knowledge of circuits to create our own functioning torches. It was wonderful to see the children applying what they had learned in Science to a practical challenge and taking pride in their finished products.

Our new Science topic this half term is Sound. This week, we began investigating how sounds are made and discovered that sounds are produced by vibrations. The children enjoyed sharing their ideas and making predictions as we started to explore this fascinating area of learning. In RE, we began learning about Christianity and discussed key beliefs and traditions within the faith. In PSHE, we explored what makes each of us unique, thinking carefully about our individual characteristics and how our genetic code helps shape who we are.

The children have approached all of their learning with enthusiasm and positivity, and we are looking forward to another busy and successful half term ahead.

Kestrels and Red Kites

This week in maths, we have been working on decimal numbers. The children have multiplied them by 10 and 100 as well as working with decimals in sequences.

In literacy, we have started our final text of the year, King Kong. We have looked at new vocabulary and started to read the beginning of the story. The children have learnt how Ann

was captured and used to entice King Kong. We have used similes to describe his physical appearance too.

We have used our afternoons to begin our art competition project. We have used the story 'The Dot' to create 5 circles filled with things that are important and relevant to us all as individuals.

We have also been rehearsing for our assembly this week. We are excited to show you what we have created.

In geography, we looked at the Mojave Desert in North America. The children wrote postcards to family members to say what the environment is like and what they have seen. In music, we looked at musical theatre and the different types of musical theatre.

We have also had visits from the local PSCOs and the church this week. A great first week back after the half term. Have a lovely weekend 😊

Eagles and Hawks

Year 6 have made an excellent start to their final half term at Wheelock, returning after the break with enthusiasm, focus and a consistently positive attitude. The children have worked incredibly hard this week and have continued to be fantastic role models around the school.

In English, they produced thoughtful theatre or book reviews, alongside powerful first-person narratives inspired by Rose Blanche as part of our No Outsiders work.

In Geography, pupils explored the school grounds to identify the most suitable location for installing a solar panel, demonstrating great teamwork and problem-solving skills.

Meanwhile, in Science, they carried out an exciting experiment to investigate whether yeast is a living microorganism, using a reaction between yeast, water and sugar to inflate a balloon.

It has been a very impressive first week back, and a wonderful start to our final half term together.

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Reception	Christianah	For showing enthusiasm and flair in Maths and trying hard to make the right choices this week.
Reception	Emilia	For always being a role model to her peers and blowing me away with her independent writing this week, so many super sentences!
Goldfinches	Jamie, Ayda, Ava	for working extremely hard on their phonics this week. Keep it up!
Woodpeckers	Theo	For fantastic effort and determination in everything he has done this week.
Woodpeckers	Rory	For trying really hard with his writing and making wonderful progress.
Owls	Amelia	For being resilient with her learning and encouraging others to be resilient too!
Owls	Rowan	For his fantastic work on the life cycle of a platypus!
Robins	Orlaith	For fantastic progress in all areas of her work.
Robins	Hollie	For fantastic progress in all areas of her work.

Key Stage Two

Sandpipers	Layla	For fantastic personification sentences based on our new text 'Into the forest' by Anthony Browne
Sandpipers	Finley	For showing super engagement in our maths lessons this week when calculating the duration of time. Well done
Moorhens	Jakub	For his use of the new vocabulary in his writing.
Moorhens	Deacon	For aspiring to make good choices for himself during lessons.
Kingfishers	Felicity	For always participating enthusiastically in class discussions. It is lovely to hear your creative ideas.
Kingfishers	Lucas	For showing great resilience and determination with a positive attitude when tackling challenges this week,
Lapwings	Tyrone	For working with his partner in Literacy and showing a kind, empathetic and caring side to his personality to support another child to write some brilliant sentences using our new vocabulary.
Lapwings	Arthur	For working really hard on his times tables and 'going green'!
Kestrels	Eleanor	For always showing a great working attitude in all subjects ~ you are always ready and keen to learn. Well done!
Kestrels	Emily	For great effort and confidence shown when working with decimals in maths. Well done!
Red Kites	Zara	For always being a wonderful classroom helper - a fantastic role model to everyone!
Red Kites	Teddy	For always being one of the first people in Red Kites to show that he is ready to learn - a fantastic role model to everyone!
Hawks	Amelia	For her effort and determination in writing this week - well done, Amelia!
Hawks	Oliver	For excellent writing this week. You have been so proud of your achievements which is lovely to see. Well done, Oliver!
Eagles	Harper	for fantastic teamwork in all lessons this week, particularly in our science investigation.
Eagles	Ahmad	For showing excellent collaboration skills with his talk partner across lots of lessons this week

The Hive

This week at the Hive, the children had lots of fun taking part in a variety of activities. They enjoyed spending time playing together, sharing games, and developing their friendships.

One of the highlights was our creative building session, where the children used Lego and straws to design and construct their own imaginative creations. It was wonderful to see their teamwork, problem-solving skills, and creativity in action.

Despite the rainy weather, we made the most of the dry spells and headed outside whenever we could. The children enjoyed running, playing games, and staying active while carefully dodging the showers!

The Hive Praise is awarded to Henry for inspiring others with his craft making skills. The second Praise is to Grace for sharing her craft skills and being a helpful member of the Hive team.

FOWS NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are so excited to share an update on the FOWS Summer Fair – and it just keeps getting better!

The FOWS Summer Fair is happening! 🎉

 **Friday 3rd July 2026** ⌚ **3:30pm – 6:00pm**


Woodland activities, games, entertainment and food. Get it in the diary if you haven't already!


 **Introducing... the Grande Raffle!**


We are thrilled to announce that our Summer Fair will feature a spectacular Grande Raffle. Prizes from local businesses are pouring in – and our famous FOWS hampers will be up for grabs too. Watch this space!


Tickets are on sale NOW – don't wait, grab yours here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wheelock>


Here's what we need from you:

 **Non-uniform day on Friday 3rd July** – in exchange for a tombola donation. Come dressed how you like, bring a prize for the tombola!

 **Cake donations** – also on Friday 3rd July. Homemade, shop-bought, we don't mind. All welcome!

 **Drop everything off at morning drop off** – on the playground outside the new Year 5/6 building. One stop, nice and easy!

More details to follow as we get closer to the date. We cannot wait – this one is going to be something special. 

Any questions? Get in touch at fowscontact@gmail.com 

The FOWS Team

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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

Summer Term Menu

Dates	Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c: 01.06.2026, 15.06.2026, 29.06.2026, 13.07.2026.	Main Choice	Chicken Curry served with Rice & Naan Bread	Lasagne served with Garlic Bread	Roast Turkey served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables	Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Chips & Vegetables
	Vegetarian Choice	Vegetable Curry served with Rice & Naan Bread	Vegetable Lasagne served with Garlic Bread	Vegan Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegan Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Pizza served with Chips & Vegetables
	Jacket Potato	Cheese	Tuna	Beans	Cheese	Beans
	Sandwich	Tuna Wrap	Chicken Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Ham Wrap	Cheese Sandwich
	Dessert	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Cake or Fresh Fruit	Homemade Biscuit or Fresh Fruit

Dates	Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c: 08.06.2026, 22.06.2026, 06.07.2026.	Main Choice	Chicken Goujon served with Wedges & Vegetables	Mac & Cheese served with Garlic Bread & Vegetables	Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Fish Fingers served with Chips & Vegetables	Beef Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables
	Vegetarian Choice	Vegan Dippers served with Wedges & Vegetables	Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread & Vegetables	Vegan Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Veggie Fingers served with Chips & Vegetables	Southern Fried Vegan Burger served with Wedges & Vegetables
	Jacket Potato	Beans	Tuna	Cheese & Beans	Beans	Cheese
	Sandwich	Ham Sandwich	Cheese Wrap	Tuna Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Chicken Wrap
	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

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

Parenting Support

You Are Not Alone

A supportive community for parents and carers

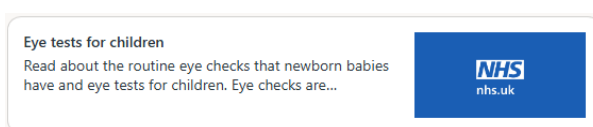
You Are Not Alone is an online support service for parents and carers who have a child diagnosed (or suspected) with autism and/or PDA. They are offering a **whole month**

free access to a warm, understanding community for parents and carers seeking support, connection and practical guidance. This safe, welcoming space offers help with meltdowns, emotional regulation, education and everyday challenges, right from the start.

You'll have full access to weekly live dropins, a rich library of videos, articles and podcasts, and a supportive WhatsApp group to connect throughout the week. Even one month of steady support can help you feel less isolated, more confident, and better equipped to advocate for your child.

Follow the link for further information <https://www.youarenotalone.community/>

Eye Tests for Children



<https://www.nhs.uk/tests-and-treatments/eye-tests-in-children/>

Regular attendance at free eye tests is essential for supporting the health, learning, and overall development of children across Cheshire East. Many vision difficulties in children are not immediately obvious but can significantly affect reading ability, concentration, behaviour, and participation in the classroom. Routine eye examinations enable early identification and treatment of potential issues, helping to prevent long-term impacts on educational attainment and wellbeing. As NHS-funded eye tests are free for children, schools are encouraged to support and promote regular check-ups as a simple and effective way to help pupils achieve their full potential.

Attendance & Morning Drop-Off Reminder

We kindly remind all parents and carers of the following morning routines and attendance expectations:

- **Gates open at 8:30am**
- **Classroom doors open at 8:35am**
- **The register is taken at 8:45am**

Pupils arriving **after 8:45am** will be marked as **late**.

Arrivals **after 9:15am** will be recorded as an **unauthorised absence**, as in line with our attendance policy.

All absences **must be reported by 9:30am on the day of absence**. Please contact the school office directly to inform us.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain excellent attendance and punctuality.

Please note that the school car park is designated for staff and deliveries only. It should not be used for dropping off children who arrive late. This helps ensure safety and smooth operations during school hours.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



Every Day At School Counts

More days in school = more friends, more learning

90%	attendance = 19 days missed
80%	attendance = 38 days missed
27%	of primary pupils miss 10+ days of school
6	days absence = drop in reading and maths

The infographic features a yellow background with a sunburst pattern. At the top left is an illustration of an orange alarm clock. Below it is a row of six diverse children's faces. The text is in various colors (orange, blue, green) and sizes, emphasizing the key statistics.



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Please click [HERE](#) to book HT6

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Infected Insect Bite	1 year and over

Find out more, nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst

