

6th December 2024



Wheelock
Primary School



Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

December

9th December – Year 2 Hope Journey at Church (Children Only)

10th December – KS2 New Vic The Three Musketeers Trip

10th December – EYFS & KS1 Christmas Lunch

11th December – Whole School Flu Immunisation

11th December – FOWS Christmas Fair 5pm-7pm

12th December – Year 2 Christmas Crafts and Sing-a-long (Parents Invited)

13th December – Elf Run (Children Only)

16th December – KS2 Christmas Carols by Candlelight (Parents Invited)

18th December – EYFS & KS1 New Vic The Three Musketeers Trip

18th December – KS2 Christmas Lunch

20th December – Wear a Christmas Jumper Day

20th December – School Closes

January 2025

6th January – Inset Day (School closed to pupils)

7th January – School Opens

10th January – Year 5 Bikeability

15th & 16th January – Year 6 Bikeability

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

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

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

Sandbach Inter-School Football Tournament



Wheelock's Year 5 and 6 football team were back in action this week, in the second round of the Inter-School Football Tournament at Sandbach United.

Our opening fixture was against Offley in the driving rain. Connor and Wren in defence were sensational, stopping countless attacks. James, who returned to goal after illness ruled him out of the first round, pulled off a string of saves, but Offley took the lead with a brilliant strike that he could do nothing about.

Despite constant Wheelock pressure, with Lowen controlling midfield and Archie using his pace down the right, the boys just couldn't find the back of the net, and the game finished 1-0 to Offley.

Elworth A were up next, a side we lost 5-0 to last time, but with Sam coming off the bench to strengthen midfield, the team started on the front foot and were unlucky not to score after good work from Francesco.

Another well-taken strike from Elworth opened the scoring, before a bizarre ricochet off a player's back doubled their lead. The game finished 2-0 to Elworth, but this was a huge improvement on the last fixture between the sides in November.

Our final match was against the toughest team in the competition, Dingle A. With no substitutes, and the rain now reaching biblical proportions (just ask Miss Millward!), the team could easily have given up, but they started with confidence and were again unlucky to concede an early goal.

The Dingle then doubled their lead, before a charging run from Sam would surely have ended in a goal had he not been brought down just outside the area. Sadly, the resulting free kick went wide of the upright.

Lowen and Cameron were both tremendous in midfield, while Francesco and Wren, who had returned to the pitch following his earlier injury, continued to give 100%. Although the game finished 4-0 to The Dingle, that was another massive improvement on the 7-0 scoreline a month ago.

Wheelock now go into the final tournament next week, where they will be pitted against different teams, and they should be extremely confident of causing a few upsets.

Well done, boys, your school is proud of you!

Class News

Cygnets and Pufflings

A fabulous week of learning in Reception this week. We had a fabulous start with our amazing Nursery Rhyme Nativity. Thank you to all of our wonderful parents for attending this. We used our super singing voices to retell the nativity story. In Maths, we have been composing and decomposing numbers to understand that different parts can make a whole. We used our Numberblock friends to create stampolines and represented the numbers to five in different ways. In our topic, we have been learning about a significant figure, Tim Peake. We found super facts and learned that he was the first British astronaut to go into Space for over 20 years. We have been using our joining skills to make 3D models and have made careful choices about how to decorate them. Keep up the great work everybody!

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

We would like to say thank you to all our families for your support with the Carol Nativity at the Church this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their songs, they looked amazing and it was a joy to hear everyone singing Carols together. Thank you for sharing your photographs and videos on Tapestry too - the children have loved watching themselves.

In Literacy this week we have been exploring the different text and language structures of 'Instructions'. Next week we will begin to write our own instructions. Can your child describe their journey to the church to you at home?

In maths we have been making the numbers 8 and 9 - looking for patterns and working out the different ways that these numbers can be made. We are very impressed with the participation on Numbots - well done everyone!

Our RE this week has linked closely with our Nativity and we have been thinking about 'meaningful gifts'. We had to draw a gift that we would give to someone and explain why they thought it was a meaningful gift.

Owls and Robins

Another super week for Year 2!

In Literacy, the children have been busy completing their 'hot write' - a setting narrative about a garden in winter. The children have produced some beautiful writing using similes and imaginative ideas. Well done!

In Whole Class Reading, the children started to explore their new text - a non-fiction book about Queen Victoria. The children have considered new vocabulary like 'monarch' and 'veil' and used their inference skills to think about how Victoria would have felt when she took the throne aged 18!

In Maths, the children have worked hard to solve addition and subtraction problems. It's been fantastic to see the children become more confident using specific methods to work out the answers! The children have now successfully completed another Maths Unit!

Science this week looked at the importance of a balanced diet! The children were very excited to design their own meals - making sure to include items from each food group after learning what each food group does for their bodies!

In PSHE, the children continued their "myHappyMind" journey. The children have been thinking carefully about what character strengths they show often. The children thought particularly about 'love and kindness' and made a 'love and kindness' heart for someone who had shown this strength towards them!

In RE, the children thoroughly enjoyed thinking about advent. We had lots of fun sharing about advent calendars. The children looked at Christian advent calendars and how they are often decorated with pictures from the Christmas Story.

We were very proud of the children this week, when they demonstrated lots of team-work, resilience and communication skills in DT. The children worked in small groups to make a chair for Baby-Bear but only using paper and tape! The children faced many challenges with this task but overcame them well!

We can't wait to see more amazing learning (and festive fun!) from Year 2 over the next two weeks!

Sandpipers and Moorhens

Year 3 have been combining their geography learning with their literacy learning this week. We have been rehearsing how to write informed sentences with technical vocabulary on volcanoes. Today, we practised this through role play by being narrators to volcano-based videos. In maths, the children have been showing great improvement in their 3,4 and 8 times table. In science, we have searched for magnetic items and have discovered that not all metals are magnetic. We have ordered the nativity story and discussed how Christians show kindness at Christmas. In geography, we designed earthquake-proof buildings and in DT selected our final design for our information electrical poster.

Kingfishers and Lapwings

This week in year 4 we have started to look at our times tables in our maths lessons, we have looked at the 3, 6 & 9's and solved problems using the facts. In Literacy we have introduced our new text, The Great Kapok Tree. The children have described the rainforest and thought about the impact of deforestation on the wildlife that lives there. In computing we have looked at plagiarism and how we can avoid this. In geography we have explored different rocks and where they come from as well as exploring rocks within our school environment. The children have enjoyed being able to use the hall for lunch and going to assembly again. Another busy week so we hope you all have a restful weekend.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week in maths, year 6 have been dividing fractions whilst year 5 have been adding and subtracting fractions. In literacy, we have looked at new vocabulary linked to newspaper reports. In science, the children have explored how long it takes planets to orbit the sun. During RE, we discussed the Christmas story and its validity. In geography, the children continued their work on climate change. We have started to rehearse for our carol concert

on Monday 16th December. The children enjoyed concluding their art unit by creating a piece of graffiti with a powerful message.

There has been great excitement this week as Eagles moved into the new building. Hopefully, Hawks and Kestrels will move in during the next week. The children are currently voting on a name for the new building. We will keep you updated!

Have a fantastic weekend despite the shocking weather!

Praise

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason
Cygnets	Theodore	For super CVC writing!
Cygnets	Noah	For super Maths work!
Pufflings	Dexter	For joining in with the phonics sessions.
Pufflings	Amber	For fantastic blending in Mrs Fogg's phonics group.
Goldfinches	Pippa	For being a great role model in Year 1 and always helping other people when they need support.
Goldfinches	Sienna	For trying really hard in phonics this week.
Woodpeckers	Logan	For being more independent in his writing.
Woodpeckers	Oliver	For always being polite and following the Wheelock behaviours.
Owls	Toby	For having an amazing week! Toby has put 100% effort into his learning and he has demonstrated the Wheelock Behaviours of respect and responsibility! Well done, Toby!
Owls	Rhea	For being aspirational with her writing this week! Rhea has used creative ideas and has been resilient when practising her handwriting! Well done, Rhea!
Robins	Olivia	For her joyful participation in the woodland this week.
Robins	Hollie	For settling in so well to Robins class since half term.

Key Stage Two

Sandpipers	Maisie	For writing some fabulous, informative sentences about volcanoes. Keep it up!
Sandpipers	Noah	For engaging extremely well with our topic of volcanoes. You have learnt so much!
Moorhens	Deacon	For applying his geographical knowledge to his literacy work and sharing this confidently with the class.
Moorhens	Sophia	For great progress in her mathematics through using a range of independent strategies.
Kingfishers	Oliver	For his enthusiasm for learning in both our science and geography lessons!
Kingfishers	Imogen	For being a role model to others at all times and aspiring to be the best that she can be.
Lapwings	Jasmine	For always listening attentively in class. Jasmine is always listening intently, during lesson time and always has her hand up ready to answer questions, which she does confidently and accurately. Well done Jasmine!
Lapwings	Sophia	For excellent work in Literacy, to write a wonderful summoning narrative, with great use of expanded noun phrases! Well done Sophia, and keep up the excellent work.
Kestrels	Archie	For having a great attitude towards all of his subjects recently – super effort and engagement! Well done!
Kestrels	Lucas	For showing enthusiasm when asking questions. You are clearly engaged in your learning. Well done!
Hawks	Francesco	For a noticeable improvement in his effort and approach to learning recently. Well done!
Hawks	Quinn	For always displaying the Wheelock behaviours and for being a kind friend to others. Well done!
Eagles	Kadence	For excellent work finding fractions of numbers and problem solving.
Eagles	Harry	For taking extra responsibility for keeping the new building as tidy as possible.
The Hive	Noah	For his lovely manners and enthusiasm.
The Hive	James	For his creativity and sharing with others.


The Hive

The children have enjoyed playing a variety of indoor games with their friends this week, Lego is still a favourite with the children.

Kerry has held many craft activities with smaller groups, the children really enjoy this time, sharing ideas their peers and crafting such lovely crafts.

As we get closer to Christmas the crafts will continue on this theme.

FOWS NEWSLETTER

 News from FOWS 

The rainbow raffle hampers are complete and look absolutely fantastic! A huge well done and thank you to ALL classes and their teachers and TAs because judging your hampers was SO difficult. They are all full to bursting, have a great variety of items in there and are beautifully decorated! They will all make the most wonderful prizes for our raffle!

Goldfinches have taken first place! Their hamper is super festive with little stars and bows and it's full to the brim! They will receive a £10 voucher to spend as a class as well as a big box of chocolates to share.

Robins are the runners up with a hamper so full of variety it was really impressive and made me go and buy another £10 worth of raffle tickets! They will have chocolates to share today!

Sandpipers also get a special mention with a beautiful minion themed hamper that they've obviously worked very hard to decorate! They'll also receive a box of chocolates to share!

If you don't have tickets yet, you've got to be in it to win it. You can buy them through our website:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wheelock/>¹

It's our Christmas Fair next week on Wednesday the 11th of December. SEN students are invited to enter early with their families at 4.30pm and everyone else is welcome to attend at 5pm! We will have crafts, games, food and drink as well as the famous Santa's grotto! The grotto is prebooked only using the link above. There are still some slots remaining! Please book in advance of the fair.

We are taking donations of second hand Christmas jumpers so if you have any lysing around please drop them into the office asap.

We are in DESPERATE need of volunteers for the fair between 6-7pm! PLEASE can you help us run a game or stall or just tidy up at the end? It looks like some stalls will have to be

¹<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https:%2F%2Fwww.pta-events.co.uk%2Fwheelock%2F&data=05|02|office%40wheelock.cheshire.sch.uk|48397e8aa41c4cd601d508dd15e975f3|f47dd6c3b69848ec8856d2833cc429e4|0|0|63869081468885127|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUslYiOilwLjAuMDAwMClslAIiOiJXaW4zMlIsIkFOljoiTWFpbClslldUljovfQ%3D%3D|0||&sdata=kROUjyxcCslJjs4p2KoDGAOMqTzsl2C6dRw2h35frt0%3D&reserved=0>

closed down at 6pm if we don't get more volunteers and we really don't want to have to resort to that. Just email us at fowscontact@gmail.com to help! 🙏

If you've got a child in the choir and they've had to miss their concert tonight due to the weather, we are hopeful that they will be able to sing at our fair instead! We will run two performances one at 5 and one at 6pm, in the gardens alongside the classrooms on the right side of the school. If they are booked in to see Santa at these times or can't make the fair, it isn't compulsory for them to attend, we just wanted to give them the chance to show off the songs they've learned.

We can't wait to see you all there!

Kind regards,

Lisa Sumner

Chairperson

Friends of Wheelock School

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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

²<mailto:fowscontact@gmail.com>

Autumn Menu

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

CREWE ALEXANDRA FOOTBALL CLUB

COLCHESTER UNITED FC

CHRISTMAS COME EARLY PT.2

FRI 20 DEC
KICK-OFF
19:45

ADULTS £10 · UNDER 19s £5
11 & UNDER FREE

CREWE ALEXANDRA V COLCHESTER UNITED

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

SPORTS COACHING GROUP

ENJOY
IMPROVE
ACHIEVE



Football

Wednesday

Yr 3-6

08.01.25 - 12.02.25

3:15 - 4:15

£30 (6 weeks)

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

Target Games

Thursday

Yr 1/2

09.01.25 - 13.02.25

3:15 - 4:15

£30 (6 weeks)

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

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30th December 2024 - 3rd January 2025

Elworth Hall Primary School

9am-3.15pm

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KEY: COULD GET MESSY

	MONDAY 30TH	TUESDAY 31ST	WEDNESDAY 1ST	THURSDAY 2ND	FRIDAY 3RD
8am	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BREAKFAST CLUB			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BREAKFAST CLUB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BREAKFAST CLUB
9.30am	ACTIVE ALLSTARS			ACTIVE ALLSTARS	ACTIVE ALLSTARS
10am	SNACK			SNACK	SNACK
10.30am	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12pm	LUNCH	CLOSED NEW YEARS EVE	CLOSED NEW YEARS DAY	LUNCH	LUNCH
1pm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2pm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.30pm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALLSTARS AFTER-CLUB CLUB			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALLSTARS AFTER-CLUB CLUB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALLSTARS AFTER-CLUB CLUB

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Christmas Family Trail

Find the Presents

Crafts

Hot drinks & Biscuits

FREE FOR ALL

Free BOOK

Family Trail

Saturday 7th December
1pm-3pm
Sandbach Town Hall

GRACE CHURCH
Sandbach

A FREE FAMILY EVENT FROM GRACE CHURCH SANDBACH

Come and join us at Sandbach Town Hall for your trail instructions before you head off around Sandbach on a Christmas word hunt!

Once you finish the trail then make your way back to the town hall for more fun, including crafts and refreshments.

Every child will receive a chocolate treat and a Christmas book when they leave.

(Please note that all children must be accompanied by an adult)

EMAIL: FAMILY@GRACE-SANDBACH.CO.UK

WEBSITE: WWW.GRACE-SANDBACH.CO.UK



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

