7th February 2025





Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

February 2025

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/

Reading Ambassadors Recommendations!

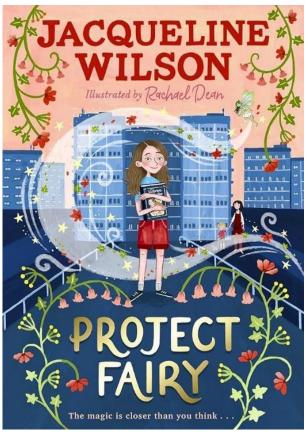
Our reading ambassadors would like to recommend different books that they have thoroughly enjoyed. We will share these with you!

Eleanor (Year 4 ambassador)

Project Fairy by Jacqueline Wilson

The book is about a girl who gets a book given to her from her teacher. She reads it and she finds a pressed flower inside of it so she puts it in water and it changes into a fairy. The book is about a fairy who finds her kind. I would give it 9/10!





Class News

Cygnets and Pufflings

A super week in Reception. We have written our own letters saying why we would make a good sidekick. In Maths we have been exploring mass and capacity. We have compared capacity saying which container has the greatest or smallest capacity. We have planned our habitat boxes ready to make them next week and have sorted animals based on their habitat. Keep up the great work everybody!

Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

It has been a busy week in year 1 this week and the children have been working really hard.

In literacy we have been collecting adjectives to use for when we write our letters to Hermelin. The children have been practicing adding the suffix 'er' and 'est' onto the end of adjectives and putting them into sentences.

Maths has been challenging this week as we have been subtracting numbers within 20 using different methods and different vocabulary. The children have been using part whole models to help them write fact families for given numbers.

In history we had a special visitor come in to talk to us about birthday in the past and how they were celebrated. The children prepared questions to ask and were really interested and engaged with the visitor's answers.

In D+T we finished making our sock puppets using our designs from the previous lesson. The children enjoyed using the different methods of attaching material to help make the puppets. Next week we will be evaluating them and discussing which method we found the easiest to do and what we would do differently next time.

The children really enjoyed designing their own characters for their eBooks on Purplemash. Next week we will start to add sounds and animations to make them more exciting.

Owls and Robins

This week Year 2 have been busy in Literacy exploring instructions! The children have explored our new WAGOLL - "". The children have learned new vocabulary, practised instructional writing using 'bossy verbs' and have designed their own Bog Baby Habitat. Next week, the children will be writing their own set of instructions on how to build a minihabitat for their creatures!

In Maths, the children have finished their topic on "Money". The children have been finding different ways to make £1 and have spent a few days consolidating their understanding of "change". Next week, we will start our new topic "Multiplication & Division".

In Science, the children have explored larger habitats this week. The children thought carefully about our oceans and used teamwork to create some fact-files.

In History, the children have been learning about Bessie Coleman! Can your child remember who Bessie Coleman is, any facts about her and why she is significant?

As it is 'Children's Mental Health' week, we have spent some time this week thinking about the theme - "know yourself, grow yourself". The children have been very excited all week to take part in today's 'Dress to Express' yourself day! The children produced some wonderful, thoughtful work where they some time thinking about themselves - what they like, their strengths, goals, wishes and what they are proud of.

In RE, the children have continued learning about Islam. This week they have been thinking about the different ways that Muslims may show respect to Allah - can your child recall any of these?

Sandpipers and Moorhens

This week year 3 have been busy in literacy writing a letter pretending to be 'Jemmy' from Jemmy Button. They have used a range of descriptive devices to describe the experience of being in the city. In maths, we have started to learn all about length. Year 3 have been practising using rulers and have been securing their understanding of length and appropriate measurements and measuring equipment. In science, we have recapped our knowledge on the layers of Earth, that we learnt in last term's Geography, and have started to look into layers of soil and their properties. In History, the children continued their exploration of Roman life- this week they dove into analysing a range of artefacts. In Art, we have started our end of unit project, which has multiple layers to it- starting this week with using a range of foods to create their own cave wall textured background. This week has been the last week of swimming. We would like to say thank you for your support during these past three weeks. The children have had the best time!

Kingfishers and Lapwings

Year 4 have had yet another busy busy week! The children have collated all of their research about waterfalls to create their own information leaflets. In maths we have come to the end of our multiplication and division unit and are now moving onto length and perimeter. In science, the children enjoyed making their own switches and testing them in circuits. In History, pupils learnt about how the Roman rule came to an end and applied this to a fun group game. In art, the children have moved onto sculpting with wire - another new skill

learnt! This has all been alongside swimming sessions which we are incredibly proud of all of the children for - a huge well done for the progress that has been made. We look forward to seeing you next week at parent meetings.

Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

This week during maths, year 6 have been completing SATS papers to check on their progress since November. We will be able to share these with you at parents evening next week. Year 5 have been learning about decimal place value and their relationship with fractions.

In literacy, we have been gathering facts about iguanas, giant tortoises and polar bears. The children have used these to generate factual paragraphs in preparation for our hot write.

In science, we learnt about animal life cycles. During PSHE, we looked at other children, from around the world, and how their dreams could be similar to our own. We have practising speaking at a market in French. During history, we debated democracy and fairness in Athens.

Year 5 had an informative talk with the fire service on Thursday about keeping safe. Finally, we have had another wonderful woodland session- our bridge is almost complete.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Praise

Principal's Praise

Reason
clearing up litter from the woodlands.

Reception & Key Stage One

Class	Name	Reason	
Cygnets	Sebastian	Super sentence writing	
Cygnets	Jamie	Super progress in Phonics!	
Pufflings	Elodeigh and Amber	For understanding their emotions and expressing how they feel.	
Goldfinches	Elijah	For super hard work and great progress in Phonics.	
Goldfinches	Elsie	For being a good role model – following all our Wheelock behaviours.	
Woodpeckers	Kaelyn	for improving her confidence in maths and working more independently.	
Woodpeckers	Kit	For writing some lovely sentences using adjectives and the suffix est.	
Owls	Daniel	For being more independent with his Literacy work this week!	
Owls	Toby	For being aspirational with his learning – especially in Literacy where he has been working hard to improve his handwriting!	
Robins	Emilia	For always being ready to learn and trying her best.	
Robins	Bella	For fantastic literacy work this week on instructional writing.	

Key Stage Two

Sandpipers	Louie	For working hard on some tasks in the classroom today. Well done!	
Sandpipers	Tyrone	For being a great classroom helper and improving his attitude to learning. Keep i up!	
Moorhens	Louie	For super effort in improving his handwriting both in school and at home.	
Moorhens	Oscar	For showing a good understanding of the genre of writing and creating interesting descriptive sentences.	
Kingfishers	Teddy	For showing enthusiasm and contributing to maths lessons - it has been lovely to see him so eager!	
Kingfishers	Daniel	For his efforts with reading this half term and completing lots of quizzes!	
Lapwings	Lily	For great work in Maths to complete converting km to m, and recognising ½ a km and ¼ of a km! Great work Lily!	
Lapwings	Mabel	For an absolutely awesome introduction report, all about waterfalls. It was a clear introduction, including 2 rhetorical questions, detailing specifically what a waterfall was and hooked the reader in, to make them want to read on! All whilst using great vocabulary!	
Kestrels	Myla	For working with determined attitude to produce quality pieces of work – well done!	
Kestrels	Ted	For being a wonderful talk partner – so helpful and supportive. Well done!	
Hawks	Louis	For always being a kind and caring friend to others.	
Hawks	Connor	For excellent progress in his arithmetic (an increase of 17 since January!). Well done!	
Eagles	Oliver	For showing great enthusiasm for reading throughout the school day.	
Eagles	Lowen	For showing great enthusiasm for reading throughout the school day.	
The Hive	Ella and Luis	For always helping and supporting others in the Hive.	

The Hive

The children have enjoyed a variety of activities in the main hall this week, playing with their friends and sharing ideas of games to play.

Kerry has taken small groups of children for craft activities; the children thrive on this and are always excited to show their creations.

FOWS NEWSLETTER

News from FOWS

You've got to be in it to win it!

Next week on Thursday is our first meeting of the new year - you're welcome to join us! It's at 8pm in Barchetta but a few of us head down for 7.30 for social drinks first.

We will be drawing not one but TWO Wheelock of Fortune sets of winners. If you'd like a double chance of winning, follow the instructions below to join! The more people we get, the bigger the prize fund will be!

If you'd like to join the lottery, follow these simple steps:

- 1. Set up a standing order to FOWS for however much you'd like to spend each month minimum of £1. The more money you donate the more numbers you'll have in the lottery for example £1 1 number. £5 5 numbers etc.
- 2. Email us at fowscontact@gmail.com to let us know how much you've set it up for and what your name is and contact phone number. (The account name must match your name)
- 3. Await the draw! It's drawn at each monthly meeting and the winners are posted on Facebook. Your cheque will be delivered in person or to school. (Cheques can easily be paid in using online banking nowadays!)

Bank details for your standing order are as follows:

Friends of Wheelock School

Account number: 52593304

Sort code: 01-07-80

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,	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
17.03.2025, 31.03.2025.	Jacket Potato	Cheese	Tuna	Beans	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
31.03.2023.	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,	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
10.03.2025, 24.03.2025.	Jacket Potato	Beans	Cheese	Tuna	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
24.03.2025.	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

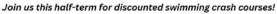
All cakes, biscuits and pizza bases are homemade on the premises
All meat and poultry products are supplied fresh by Anderton's Butchers

Community News











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

Why not join us (age 7+)?

Enquire for a free taster session! Find out more

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

Contact: creweneptune@gmail.com 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





- 🚺 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
- Oodgeball, gymnastics
- Arts, crafts, dance





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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- 01270 449770
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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

