

# 8th March 2024



# Newsletter

## Dates for your Diary

Parents Evening – 12th and 14th March

Whole School FOWS Non-Uniform Day (In exchange for a donation of chocolate) – 14th March

Year 1 Peak Wildlife Park – 15th March

SEND Coffee, cake & chat (9am – 11am Parents Invited) – 18th March

Year 5 SingFest – 20th March

World Water Day – 22nd March

FOWS Chocolate Bingo – 22nd March

## Goodbye Mrs Lewis!

Next Monday we are sadly saying goodbye to the wonderful Mrs Lewis. She is a vital part of Wheelock Primary School and she will be missed by all of the school community. We wish her the best of luck as she moves on to her own exciting adventure.

## Sports News

This week brought about a very tough match against a very tall Elworth E of C. The children once again showed great resilience and determination. Unfortunately, the score didn't reflect actually how hard the children worked, 5-3.

Praise this week goes to a duo who showed massive amounts of determination and who were a brilliant defensive team. Layla and Kayleigh, well done we are very proud of you.

### Returning Sports Kit

We are currently waiting for many sports kits to be returned, both from cross country and football. We are very lucky to have school competition sports kits, but unfortunately, we don't currently have enough to lend to the children for competitions. If your child has been in a competition this school year, please have a look to see if you have any of the black competition t-shirts or football kits at home. Please return any sports kit to the class teacher or to the office.

## Class News

### Penguins and Puffins

A fun filled week this week! We have really enjoyed retelling the Little Red story in Literacy and using describing words such as 'fearsome' and 'brave'.

In Maths, we have been subitising, representing 8 using the 5 and a 'little bit more' structure and have revisited ordering numbers to 8. We have also practised speedy recall of one more and less than numbers to 10.

In our topic 'Once upon a time', we have been learning all about homes and family life in the past. We enjoyed sharing photos of our home learning and discussing how things have changed from 'a long time ago'. We had an amazing World Book Day. We shared special story time with our buddies, had an author visit and loved story time with our family! A huge thank you to everybody for making such an effort to dress up and share their favourite stories and also a special thank you to FOWs for giving away some amazing books! 📖 Well done for a great week Reception! 🌟

### Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

We have had another great week in Woodpeckers and Goldfinches. The children continue to impress us with their eagerness to learn and their increasing independence.

The children are working so hard in their phonics and we have seen some amazing progress. In Literacy this week we have been adding the suffixes 'ed', 'ing', and 'er' to verbs and listening to how this changes the sentence. We will be having a go at using these in our writing next week.

In Maths we have been subtracting within 20. This has involved crossing the 10, for example 12-5. We have been using number lines to countback and ten frames and counters to visualise the calculation. It has been great to see hear the children work though the problems using their knowledge of numbers to 10 to help them.

We had fun on Monday tasting fruit in DT as we began to think about what fruits we would like to put in a smoothie. We will continue next week by designing their own smoothie and the designing the label for the packaging.

World Book Day was a fun filled day. We listened to lots of stories throughout the day, as well as taking part in quizzes about book characters and book titles. We even did a book treasure hunt around school; finding 30 different book titles. Thank you so much to our parents for the amazing outfits the children wore and to those of you who were able to join us at the end of the day to share a story - it really made our day feel special.



## Owls and Robins

What a busy week we have had in Year 2!

In Literacy, we have continued to explore our book for this half term - 'Grandad's Island'. We have looked at the vocabulary used within the text, used role-play to develop our language and understanding of being within the pictures and applied this to some fantastic setting descriptions.

In Maths, we have finished our unit on multiplication and division. We worked really hard on this and understanding the links between them.

In Geography, we looked at human and physical features over the world. We located these on a world map and discussed these features.

We have also created different textures in art using a variety of materials - we really enjoyed exploring these and experimenting with colours and materials.

Also, this week we have had World Book Day. We all looked fantastic in our costumes and had lots of fun decorating our classroom door, book day activities and reading with buddies and family.

Well done Year 2 for a hard-working week!

## Sandpipers, Swans and Kingfishers

In Waterbirds this week, we have begun our science topic of plants, children have successfully identified the features and functions of parts of a flowering plant. Across Waterbirds, we have continued our learning of fractions in maths, understanding the fundamentals of the denominator and the numerator and realising that a fraction involves equal parts of a whole. As well as this, we have enjoyed beginning our new Geography topic about settlements.

In Literacy, all have successfully begun to understand the features of a twisted tale, we have been reading the vehicle text - The Lost Happy Endings by Carol Ann Duffy and Jane Ray understanding how writers produce effective narratives through language choices. The children particularly enjoyed coming up with ghoulish descriptions of evil characters!

Waterbirds have thoroughly enjoyed participating in World Book Day. The children enjoyed dressing up and the opportunity to read with adults at the end of the day. Waterbirds are now ready to focus on learning going forward for the rest of the term. Well done for all your effort this week Waterbirds!

## Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

What a busy and unusual week.

This week in maths, year 6 have looked at percentages whilst year 5 continued to work on decimals. In literacy, we have started to explore new vocabulary linked to The Hound of the Baskervilles. During geography, the children looked at graphs showing temperature data from two deserts.

This week has had three main focuses: D&T, world book day and French day.

In D&T, the children have been sewing and have made stuffed toys. Their stitching and resilience was excellent. Sewing can be super tough but they did an awesome job. On Thursday we celebrated world book day. There were some fantastic costumes and pyjamas. We looked doing book quizzes, book hunts and reading with parents at the end of the day. Finally, on Friday, the children enjoyed French day. We had a workshop where we discussed how French can help us in the future.

What a fantastic week. Well done everyone - have a wonderful weekend.



## Praise

### Reception & Key Stage One

<b>Class</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Reason</b>
<b>Penguins</b>	<b>Nelly</b>	<b>For super writing about Little Red – Well done!</b>
<b>Penguins</b>	<b>Orlaith</b>	<b>For a super retell of Little Red – Well done Orlaith!</b>
<b>Puffins</b>	<b>Amberley</b>	<b>For lots of independence in her cutting to create art.</b>
<b>Puffins</b>	<b>Alarna</b>	<b>For a winning World Book Day potato.</b>
<b>Goldfinches</b>	<b>Rhea</b>	<b>For amazing drawings of the big cats in our Whole Class Read floorbook.</b>
<b>Goldfinches</b>	<b>Braelyn</b>	<b>For showing lots of enthusiasm on World Book Day.</b>
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	<b>Josh</b>	<b>For showing lots of progress with his writing and handwriting.</b>
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	<b>Felix</b>	<b>For being really creative and working hard.</b>
<b>Owls</b>	<b>Louie</b>	<b>For excellent team work during our WBD art project.</b>
<b>Owls</b>	<b>Amber</b>	<b>For her excellent French singing of heads, shoulders, knees and toes.</b>
<b>Robins</b>	<b>Saffi</b>	<b>For a fantastic attitude to learning.</b>
<b>Robins</b>	<b>Lucas</b>	<b>For aspiring to do his best in all areas of his learning.</b>

## **Key Stage Two**

Swans	Henry	For showing respect by sensible sitting, listening and for offering great contributions in the classroom. Great work, well done!
Swans	Billie	For aspiring to work hard and for showing resilience when things haven't gone to plan. Great work, well done!
Sandpipers	Lola	For brilliant independence this week, especially during whole class reading sessions.
Sandpipers	Amelia	For her efforts in Maths lessons with her number facts and timestables!
Kingfishers	Bella	For being a wonderful, kind friend to all members of the class.
Kingfishers	Emily	For working hard all of the time and being a great role model.
Kestrels	Esmae	For showing super creativity when sewing her stuffed toy. Well done!
Kestrels	Oscar	For showing super creativity when sewing his stuffed toy. Well done!
Hawks	Nancy	For showcasing her excellent sewing skills in DT this week when making stuffed toys as well as supporting her peers to develop their skills too. Well done!
Hawks	Francesco	A noticeable improvement in both confidence and determination within his Maths work recently – Well done!
Eagles	Ivan	For excellent teamwork during our Design and Technology project this week.
Eagles	Lyra	For all the extra help and support she gave to her classmates and teachers when creating our World Book Day door.
The Hive	Martha	For being a super helper in the Hive.
The Hive	Claudia	For being kind and thoughtful friend to others.

## The Hive

The children have been busy designing posters for the Hive relating to the Wheelock Values and Behaviours. We have seen some lovely creative drawings, thank you team Hive.

As always Lego, Chess and Roleplay have been popular activities.

Thank you to Mr Sutton and Penny, the children have really enjoyed spending time outdoors.

The Hive will be running from the Owls classroom (old Hive location) during Parents Evening.

## FOWS NEWSLETTER

 News from FOWS 

Tickets for chocolate bingo are still available:

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

There will be 3 sessions on the night and there are still lots of spaces available for the last session.

📖 We really hope you managed to pick up a free book or two yesterday as a gift from FOWS. There were some really great ones donated in the last year or so and we are really happy we were able to share them with you to celebrate World Book Day 2024

🍫 Don't forget that next week on Thursday it's a non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate donations. We will be on the playground by under the trees first thing in the morning or drop your donation in to the hive if your child is in early.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Kind regards,

Lisa Sumner

Chairperson

Friends of Wheelock School

fowscontact@gmail.com

**Community News**



 **CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED**  
 **WRAP AROUND FROM 8AM UNTIL 5PM**  
 **10% SIBLING DISCOUNT**

**SPORTS COACHING GROUP**  
 ENJOY IMPROVE ACHIEVE

# EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS

**#HAF2024 IS BACK**

**BOOK HERE**



**GET READY TO JOIN THE FUN**

**2ND APRIL - 12 TH APRIL**

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 Contact us: 01270 449770 | [holidays@sportscoachinggroup.co.uk](mailto:holidays@sportscoachinggroup.co.uk)

# WHAT'S ON

**SPORTS COACHING GROUP**  
 ENJOY IMPROVE ACHIEVE

**MULTI-SPORTS VENUES:**

- SANDBACH BOYS SCHOOL
- CHELFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL
- WISTASTON CHURCH LANE
- HOLMES CHAPEL PRIMARY
- BRINE LEAS SCHOOL, NANTWICH
- VERNON PRIMARY
- BARLASTON FIRST SCHOOL

**SPORT SPECIFIC VENUES:**

- EL WORTH CRICKET CLUB - CRICKET SPECIFIC
- SANDBACH BOYS SCHOOL - SWIM N SPLASH

**CRASH COURSES AVAILABLE AT OUR HUBS**

**EASTER THEMES EVERYDAY!**

**#HAF2024 IS HERE!**

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT **FREE HOLIDAY CLUBS!**

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Cheshire West End Workshops presents:

# FROZEN

HALF-DAY MUSICAL WORKSHOP

**Wednesday 10th April**

9.30am - 12.00pm  
for ages 4-7

12.30pm - 3.00pm  
for ages 8-11

**Astbury Village Hall,  
Congleton**

£20 per child\*





Join us for a morning or afternoon of Frozen-themed fun! **SINGALONG** to your favourite songs from the popular Disney musical, learn **MOVEMENT** and **DANCE**, have **FUN** and make **FRIENDS!** Workshops will be led by industry professionals, Jessica Joslin and Joseph Anthony

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\*Advanced booking rate available until 11th March

**\*ADVANCED BOOKING RATE: £15 PER CHILD**

**LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE**

**JOIN OUR BUNNY HOP**

# EASTER EGG HUNT

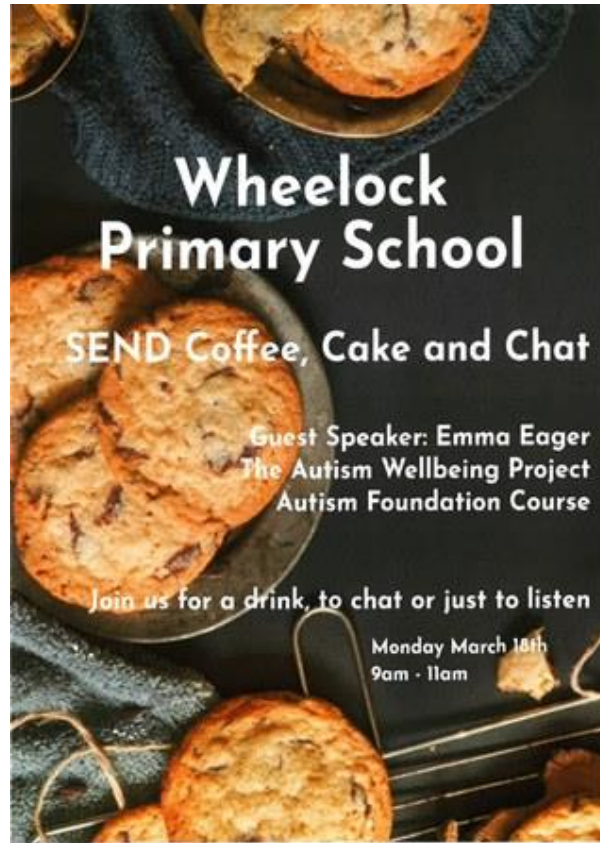
**SATURDAY 30TH MARCH**

**SANDBACH TOWN HALL & MARKET HALL 11AM-12:30PM**

Sandbach Town Hall,  
Highstreet CW11 1AX  
Sandbach



**DESIGN AN EASTER EGG FOR A CHANCE TO WIN OUR COMPETITION. TEMPLATE CAN BE COLLECTED FROM SANDBACH TOWN HALL.**



# Wheelock Primary School

SEND Coffee, Cake and Chat

Guest Speaker: Emma Eager  
The Autism Wellbeing Project  
Autism Foundation Course

Join us for a drink, to chat or just to listen

Monday March 18th  
9am - 11am



## Join the repair and reuse revolution!!

Repair Cafés are all about repairing things. You bring your broken items from home and our Fixers, who are unpaid local volunteers, will try and repair your item. You are invited to watch the repair, allowing you to take away not only your repaired item but a new shared skill!!

We have a range of skills available including computer tech, bicycles, joiners, mechanical, sewing and more!!

It's also an opportunity to meet new people and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and/or home bake.

We have tackled toys, clocks, luggage and hairdryers. You can even book your repair in advance by emailing your details to [repaircafe@sandbachpartnership.co.uk](mailto:repaircafe@sandbachpartnership.co.uk).

Don't forget to join our Facebook group for all the latest.

### Spread the word

Location: St Peter's Church Hall, Elworth

### Future dates & times

**Saturday 17 Feb**  
11am until 2pm

**Saturday 16 Mar**  
11am until 2pm

**Saturday 20 Apr**  
11am until 2pm

**Saturday 15 May**  
11am until 2pm

**Saturday 15 Jun**  
10am until 1pm

Repair Café Sandbach is affiliated with Repair Café Wales and is funded by Sandbach Partnership



## SANDBACH YOUTH THEATRE

FOR AGES 6-11

VENUE SANDBACH LIBRARY

TIME WEDNESDAYS 5-630PM

FIRST TRIAL SESSION FREE THEN COST OF £55 PER TERM

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