



Hummingbird Class Newsletter

Messages

- We have had another fantastic week in year 2 and the children are working super hard and settling into year 2 life with enthusiasm and confidence.
- We continue to remind the children of our school values which are:
 - ❖ Be Respectful
 - ❖ Be Responsible
 - ❖ Be Safe

English

We have now completed our Goldilocks and the Three Bears stories and I am so proud of the writing that the children have produced at such an early stage of the year. Well done! Our next unit of English is based on the text *The Dragon Machine* by Helen Ward. During the next few weeks, the children will learn how to use prepositional language to describe settings and how to use conjunctions to extend their sentences.

Maths

We have now started our next chapter of learning in maths which is focussed on addition and subtraction. In this unit, the children will learn simple adding and subtracting as well as how to use written methods to add and subtract with renaming.

Phonics

The children are now very settled into their new phonics groups and are working super hard to develop their reading skills. Reading is one of the most important and integral skills for our children at Whiston Willis and we continue to encourage all parents to read with their children for at least 10 minutes per evening. All children have now been provided with new Reading Records and books to take home. Please record any home reading in their record books after each reading session. Thank you.

PE

Our PE days for this half term are Tuesdays and Thursdays whereby the children will be completing both a fitness and a skills unit of work. Please can you ensure that your child is provided with the correct Whiston Willis School PE kit (full details can be found on our website) and also a water bottle.

Harvest Festival

Autumn term sees the season of the Harvest Festival. Next week, Reverend Telfer will be visiting school to deliver an assembly to talk to the children about the importance of the Harvest Festival. We are kindly asking for any donations of non-perishable food items which can be handed in to either the school office or class teachers. These items will then be donated to people in need around our local community.

School Uniform

The children are all looking super smart in their new school uniforms and we understand the commitment our parents make to ensure the children are always well-presented in school. Can we please ask parents to ensure that their child's uniform is clearly labelled. This helps children and staff to locate lost jumpers, cardigans and coats, should the children have taken them off during play times or PE. Thank you for your support.

Academic Excellence

Well done to the following children for achieving our "Star of the Week" certificate and our "Rights Respector" award: Isaac and James.

Thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to contact the school office or during drop-off/pick-up time, should you need to discuss anything. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Williams

Hummingbird Class Teacher

