

# 14th March 2025



# Pangolin Class Newsletter

# Messages

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

#### **English**

We have almost completed our English text- The Water Protectors and the children have really enjoyed learning about the Sioux tribe as well as researching lots of facts related to water pollution. Our next unit of work is based on the text The Bear and the Piano by David Litchfield. The story follows a young bear who stumbles upon something he has never seen before. As time passes, he teaches himself how to play the strange instrument - and, eventually, the beautiful sounds are heard by a father and son who are picnicking in the woods. The bear's piano playing makes him a huge star, but he misses the friends and family he has left behind. In this unit, the children will learn how to use noun phrases to describe character's and setting before writing our own narratives.

## Maths

Our current chapter of maths is Money. We will be reviewing concepts on writing and counting money in addition to extending our knowledge of how to represent money using £ and p. We will be reinforcing previous counting methods using fives and tens to count quickly and efficiently. By the end of the unit, we will be using bar modelling to calculate the total amount of money spent and then working out how much change is required from amounts below £100.

## **World Book Day**

Last week, we really enjoyed celebrating World Book Day. It was wonderful to see the children in their pyjamas and celebrating reading for pleasure. The children also had the opportunity to listen to their teachers read whilst enjoying some hot chocolate and biscuits. Thank you to all involve ed for a lovely day.

# **Chester Zoo**

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March, the children are being treated to a fantastic school trip to Chester Zoo. The children will have the opportunity to participate in a workshop focussing on the conservation and protection of wild animals as well as a walk around the zoo to see these wonderful animals.

#### 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, especially as the weather is becoming warmer and we will be beginning to start outdoor PE lessons.

#### News

## **Academic Excellence**

Well done to the following children who have been our 'Stars of the Week' in recent weeks:

#### **Emmett and Harry**

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 Askew, Miss McAnaney and Ms Heyes.

**Hummingbird Class Teachers and Teaching Assistant**