

28<sup>th</sup> February 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

This week we have started our new English unit which is based on the text We Are Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom. The book follows the story of an Ojibwe girl who fights against an oil pipeline in an effort to protect the

water supply of her people. The story highlights the importance of people power and protest. The children will learn how to use interesting adjectives, noun phrases and verbs as well as exploring the four different sentence types.

#### <u>Maths</u>

Our next 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  $\pounds$  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.

#### **Online Safety**

As you are very much aware, safeguarding our children is the main priority of our school community and I would like to take this opportunity to remind our parents and carers of the vital importance of online safety. Please may I reinforce the importance of regularly checking that our children are only being exposed to safe content online. Thank you for your continued support with this.

## World Book Day

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March is World Book Day and instead of dressing up, we have invited the children to come into school wearing their pyjamas (if they wish) and to bring in their favourite book. The children will have some quality time reading their books and listening to their teacher read their favourite children's book whilst enjoying some hot chocolate and biscuits.

## 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.

#### News

## Academic Excellence

Well done to the following children who have been our 'Stars of the Week' in recent weeks: Jamie-Lee and Emma

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

Mrs Askew, Miss McAnaney and Miss Hayes. Hummingbird Class Teachers and Teaching Asssitant