



WHISTON WILLIS
PRIMARY ACADEMY
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Reception Class Newsletter

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News

Literacy

We have been reading *The Magic Paintbrush* in Literacy. Children have enjoyed painting their own items for the poor and have been sorting useful and non-useful items. Children have written in role as Shen and also labelled the beast who helps free her. They have been exploring who the characters are, where the story is set and what happens in the beginning middle and end.

Maths

This week in maths children have been enhancing their counting skills. Children have been able to organise Numberblocks and match the correct numeral. They have had the opportunity to create their own Numberblocks using loose parts, interlocking cubes and squares of card.

Other

In PE children are enjoying their gymnastics lessons. They have been making shapes on equipment and been enhancing their balancing skills. Can your child remember our newly learnt shapes? Pike, straddle, tuck, star and straight shape.

Our PSHE Jigsaw lessons are focusing on 'Dreams and Goals' and children have been learning all about challenges and persevering with a goal, even if it is difficult. We encourage our children to attempt tricky things first before we step in and help them. Please encourage your children to zip up their own coats as a goal we set in school.

Children have also enjoyed learning about the celebration of Chinese New Year and the year of the Snake. They have been exploring how people prepare for this celebration and the types of activities that happen to celebrate this event.

Healthy Schools

We have recently become a Healthy School. This means our school menu has been changed to include more nutritious meals and desserts are fruit and yoghurt for majority of our week. We are hoping that parents can help support their children's healthy lifestyle by providing healthy snacks for break times and packed lunches are containing healthy options, with minimal sugar where possible.

Reminders

Can we ask that no items from home are brought into school please as they may get lost or damaged.

Please remember **snack is £1 a week**. This can be paid weekly or termly. Speak to a member of the reception team if you have any questions.

To see all our latest learning and for school updates, please follow @MrsHalsall02 - @MissChiocchi - @MissAtkin05 on twitter.

Thank you for your continued support

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