



7th March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our World Book Day activities proved popular with our children again this year and they enjoyed the opportunity to engage in reading activities, have hot chocolate and biscuits as they read and receive a World Book Day book. A big thank you to all the staff who helped to arrange the day, order and collect our books and plan the activities that were completed. Also, thanks again to the PTA who paid for the hot chocolate and biscuits for the children to enjoy.

Also this week, we have had a Peer Review of our work in maths undertaken by three other headteachers from across Wade Deacon Trust and Warrington Primary Multi Academy Trust. All three were impressed by the quality of work being completed by children from nursery to Y6 and the progress the children have made in maths since September. As always, the behaviour of the children and their attitudes to learning was seen as being excellent which is always great to be acknowledged.

I have had the opportunity in recent weeks to visit many classrooms and speak to children about their learning as part of our regular monitoring and evaluation of the work we complete in order to improve. I have seen some exceptional learning and pupil outcomes across the school that highlights the quality of teaching and learning. The examples of pupil outcomes that I have seen clearly show the progress pupils have made in their calculations, handwriting and writing in maths and English but also I have seen excellent quality outcomes in art and geography. When the children are the best versions of themselves regularly, they do so well, when they are less consistent in their effort they do make less progress. Please do work with us to ensure your children come to school with a positive mindset having had plenty of sleep!

We have had children represent the school this week in football competitions and they have been excellent role models and representatives of our school. Well done to the Girls Football Team who have reached a finals day.

Our PTA have shared another planned activity for the next few weeks that it would be fantastic for you to support. Please do look out for the flyer with information regarding Mother’s Day that they have planned.

School Uniform:

Reminder- please ensure that your children wear correct school uniform. Many children have lost school ties, are wearing incorrect footwear and on PE days are not wearing the correct PE kit.

Please refer to the school uniform page on the website and ensure the correct uniform is worn.

World Book Day Anfield trip.....

Reception World Book Day





Attendance: Attendance at school currently is not good enough for many pupils. We have significant numbers of pupils who have attendance below 90% which is classed as persistently absent. These pupils are monitored closely both internally and by our Attendance Officer from the council.

We do want to bring to your attention, that unauthorised absence can also be subject to fines not just holidays (which are unauthorised). We have no choice but to follow advice from the attendance team and we will issue fines to highlight the importance of high attendance.

We will be having an 'Attend every day Challenge in March' with rewards and prizes on offer for individual pupils!

Attendance League Table (Year to date)

Position	Class	Percentage		<p>Please arrange appointments out of school time or if that isn't possible bring your child in first thing to get their mark and return them after any appointment.</p> <p>Please do call the school office if your child is going to be absent or if you need any further advice.</p> <p>Our school attendance is below both national and Local Authority figures and must improve. Please support us by arranging appointments outside of school time and getting the children into school regularly.</p>
1 st =	Jaguar	95.2%	Y1 WINNERS	
1 st =	Penguin	95.2%	Y3 WINNERS	
3 rd	Hedgehog	94.6%	EY WINNERS	
4 th	Zebra	94.4%		
5 th	Tiger	94.1%		
6 th	Cheetah	94%	UKS2 WINNERS	
7 th	Hummingbird	94%	Y2 WINNERS	
8 th	Wolf	93.7%		
9 th	Owl	93.5%		
10 th	Pangolin	93.4%		
11 th	Shark	92.7%	Y4 WINNERS	
12 th	Lion	92.6%		
13 th	Koala	91.7%		
14 th	Squirrel	91%		

Special mentions for positively standing out this week.....

CLASS	PUPIL	<p>Well done to all our pupils who have been recognised by staff this week for their hard work and in following our school values and The Whiston Willis Way.</p> <p>I really have noticed some pupils in Y5 following the Whiston Willis Way so a special mention to them!</p>
Squirrel	Noah G and Amelia M	
Owl	Lily Rose B and George F	
Hedgehog	Myles H and Mya B	
Tiger	Elsie L and Violet N	
Jaguar	Nancy C and Caleb S	
Pangolin	Ellis F and Harry G	
Hummingbird	Isaac McG and Bobby McG	
Zebra	Maisie A and Finley D	
Penguin	Aliza M and Cayla G	
Lion	Sage W and Logan T	
Shark	Scott H and Teddie Mae G	
Koala	Tom L and Jonnie D	
Wolf	Mark M and Sophia W	
Cheetah	Tony T and Rafael T	



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Road Safety: Our Y5 children worked with Knowsley Road Safety team this week and they walked the local area to identify dangers and risks that they face on the way to school and on the way home. This is vital for our older children to revisit this as they get older and are afforded more independence. Please do consider our pupils as you are driving around school at the start and end of the day- Help to keep all our community keep safe on the roads around our school.

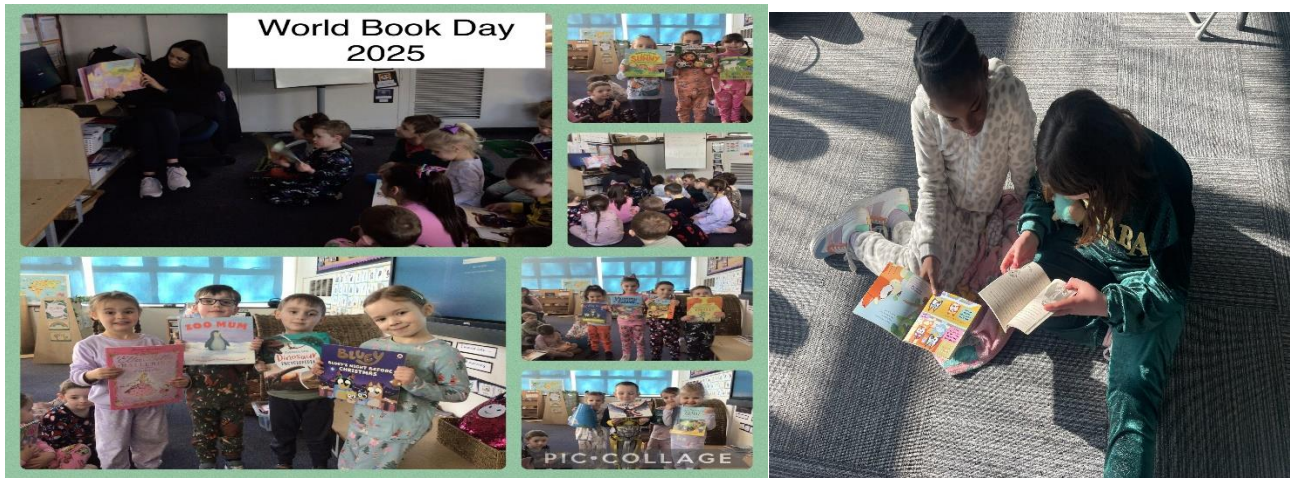
Parking: Please can we ensure that we are parking with care to avoid any accidents and with consideration for local residents. Please do not block driveways or pavements due to unthoughtful and dangerous parking. We still even have parents who park between our safety figures! (They are not out to reserve private parking for anyone!) Parking without thought for pedestrians also puts our children in danger- please do think carefully about this

Please can I ask you all to read the other letter that was issued via email today as it is imperative that the conduct of any adult who visits our site or who is a member of our school community upholds our school values.

BE RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE AND SAFE!

Kind regards

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