



Wolf Class Newsletter

Update

What a fantastic start to the spring term! It has been fantastic to see Year 5 pupils help support Year 6 as they prepare for SATs. All year 6 pupils are encouraged to attend booster clubs on Monday and Tuesday. Attendance is important as we prepare for SATs and missed days could result in gaps in your child's learning. It is also important that children arrive to school between 8.40am and 8.50am to maximise their challenge of arithmetic questions. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

English

- The children have finished their poems, replicating 'Night Mail'. They have formed their own poetry based on communication that they are familiar with and incorporated some poetic devices such as rhythm, couplet, stanza and rhyme. We have started our latest text 'The Lost Happy Endings' which will inspire children to write for different purposes.

Maths

- In Year 5, children have finished their unit of work on fractions have now began developing an understanding of decimals, using their knowledge of fractions to support them. Initially, Year 6 showed a lack of resilience and was reluctant when it came to algebra but after teacher demonstrations this soon changed and the confidence soon developed.

Reading

- We have continued our latest fiction text 'Cogheart' by Peter Bunzl. We continue to ask questions and look forward to reading on. Wolf class have created some excellent predictions which has been supported by evidence. Children are continuing to develop their reading skills such as inference, summarising and vocabulary.

Science

- In science, we have started our latest topic on 'Magnetism'. This week we have learnt about magnets and how they work – children will begin to use magnetic equipment and form relationships between equipment. Children will begin to form their own hypothesis for scientific investigations.

Geography

- Our first Geography topic of the year, the USA, is underway and children have already demonstrated an extensive knowledge. We have been looking at how many states there are, the names of presidents and where the USA is in the world. We have also been learning how diverse the country is and the different biomes that span across the country.

PE

- This week, we have continued our 'Young Olympians' unit and focused on the correct technique for running. We have also began to make links between sprinting and middle/ long distance running. As part of our fitness unit, children engaged in a completely different type of circuit training, using no equipment – this week, children were able to choose different exercises that involved different muscles.

For more information about your child's learning this half term, please visit our class page on our school website www.whistonwillis.co.uk

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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. Wolf Class PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday – please ensure your child attends school in full Whiston Willis PE kit. They may wear dark pants with their Whiston Willis hoody, jumper or cardigan.

Parent App

Reminder - Parents/ carers should have received an email to register for Parentapps – this will be used to share communications with parents – please follow instructions from email to sign up. Some children are saying they have not received information, however it is likely that this has been shared on the app.

Robinwood

Information regarding Robinwood has been shared via Parent Pay and the Parent App – places are limited and deposits need to be paid to guarantee your child's place.

Bikeability

Children should now have signed up to Bikeability through the Parent App. If you have been unable to do this then please inform the school office ASAP.

Important Dates

Tuesday 28th January – Year 5/6 Dodgeball
Wednesday 29th January – Year 6 LFC Football
Monday 3rd – 6th February – Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 4th February – Yr 5/6 Futsal
Wednesday 12th February – Valentine's Disco

To see all our latest learning and for school updates, please follow @MrWongWW and @WhistonWillis1 on twitter.

Thank you for your continued support - Mr Wong

