

# Wheatfield Primary School—February Newsletter

## WHEATFIELD NEWS TEAM

Last Friday 4G performed their class assembly about newspaper reports to their parents and the whole school. Once they had finished, Miss Dursley challenged the children to write a newspaper article by the following Friday. She wanted this to be published in the next newsletter.

Miss Dursley told the Wheatfield News Team that she enjoyed 4G's assembly because it was very informative. 'I enjoyed it because the whole class was involved' said Miss Dursley. She also told Wheatfield News that she always enjoys giving children challenges and is interested to see what they do.

Miss Garraway shared her thoughts with the Wheatfield News. 'I think she challenged 4G because you did a fantastic job with the assembly, so she gave you a challenge and she knew you would complete it to perfection!' she said.

With Miss Dursley's challenge complete, 4G have now shared their learning with the whole school community. They hope that you all enjoy reading this newspaper article.



## Wheatfield is getting RED-DY to support the **British Heart Foundation's Wear It, Beat It** campaign on Friday 6th Feb.

You may have seen Calum Morris from Year 3 starring in the TV advert promoting the 'Wear It, Beat It' campaign. Calum was born with a rare Cardiac Heart Defect (CHD), called Truncus Arteriosus. He underwent his first open heart surgery when he was 13 days old and had more operations at the ages of 4 and 6, further surgery is expected in the coming year. Although we would rather Calum didn't have to battle CHD every day, we are grateful to have fantastic support from the Cardiology team at Bristol Children's Hospital and the **British Heart Foundation**. A booklet produced by the BHF, gave us hope when we were first told of Calum's heart condition and they continue to provide support to us and Calum. (John and Nicola Morris)

Wheatfield would like to promote the 'Wear It, Beat It' day on 6th February by encouraging all the children and staff to wear red to school to raise awareness of heart disease. If you would like to make a donation to the **British Heart Foundation** to support their invaluable work it would be much appreciated but is not essential.

Read Calum's story on the **British Heart Foundation** website and see him star in their TV advert. Visit [www.youtube.com/watch?v=eWSIDIClajw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eWSIDIClajw) or scan this QR Code...



**Calum - Our Heart Hero  
Fundraising for the BHF**

Text WIBI72 £2 / £5 / £10 to 70070 to donate now eg WIBI72 £5

**JustTextGiving**  
by **vodafone**

Thank you to the Friends for ensuring Y6 were able to see a production of War Horse this week. Paige Weeks said 'The horses were very realistic and the settings were almost real. I really enjoyed the show!'

Thank you also to the Friends for subsidising a visit from Storybox Theatre in Term 4 for YR, Y1 and Y2.



## STAFF NEWS

### FAREWELL TO MRS JAMES

During today's Celebration Assembly, we said farewell to Mrs James, our School Business Manager, extending our thanks to her for all she has contributed to Wheatfield over the past 8  $\frac{1}{2}$  years and wishing her every success as she takes up the challenge of her new job as Personal Assistant to 2 Directors at Kendall Kingscott. We will miss you Mrs James!!



We have been successful in recruiting a new SBM and Mrs Denise Hickson, who has a similar role in another local school and will be joining us in the middle of next term. In the meantime, the office will be in the 'safe hands' of Ms Matthews and Mrs Bowden.

Congratulations to Mrs Cooper, who is expecting her second child in early July. Mrs Cooper will be taking Maternity Leave from the end of June and I am very grateful to Mrs Roberts who has agreed to work full time in Y3CR for the final weeks of the academic year.

### THE GREAT AERONAUTICAL ART HUNT

Last year we took part in a joint project with other local schools called The Great Art Hunt. Each class decorated a wooden tree on a given theme as our contribution to the project. These amazing pieces of art work were then located in venues across Bradley Stoke and the surrounding area. This year a similar project, called The Great Aeronautical Art Hunt, is happening. The title of the project gives a clue to this year's theme. Each school involved will be given an 'aeronautical theme' to base their designs on. Once completed, these pieces of art will be displayed in our local area. We will be preparing in school, in the coming terms, ready for the hunt in July. More information in the link below and to follow.



<https://www.powtoon.com/show/dYL68A4TZYS/the-great-aeronautical-art-hunt/>

# SAFER INTERNET DAY

February 10th 2015 is Safer Internet Day, a day that is very important to our school and pupils. Safer Internet Day is run by the INSAFE network and is celebrated every year across Europe, and in other countries worldwide. This years theme is "Let's create a better internet together" where we will explore e-safety issues and discuss the things we can all do to make sure the internet is a happy place for everyone.

To celebrate the many positives of the internet, and to raise awareness of the issues that children and young people face online today, we also plan to host an online safety information session for parents and carers of children on 2nd March at 2.45pm.

The session will provide practical advice and safety tips to help manage online safety issues, and discussions surrounding suitable behaviour online and should last around 30 minutes with light refreshments available.

We believe that internet safety education is a crucial element of the curriculum and an essential part of young people's development. This session is designed to help you become more aware of the safety messages that your children receive in school in order to reinforce them in your home environment.

If you would be interested in attending the e-safety session, please can you return the reply slip at the bottom of this newsletter. We would be happy to run an additional evening session later in the year if there is enough interest so if you cannot attend the session on 2<sup>nd</sup> March but would be interested should a future session be planned in an evening, please can you indicate this on the reply slip. (Sam O'Regan and Jamie Finlay)



## CELEBRATING OUR LEARNING WEEK

Parents/ Carers are invited into school on Tuesday 3rd Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th February so that the children can share some of their learning from the year so far with you. You are welcome to come into the classrooms between 8.45 and 9.15am. Please leave the building at **9.15 am** via the front entrance on the morning you decide to visit your child's classroom.

**PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS** will be held on Monday 9th February and Wednesday 11th February from 3.50-6.30pm. To make an appointment please sign the chart which will be on your child's classroom door from Tuesday 3rd February or complete and return the form at the end of the newsletter.

KS1 Teachers will see parents in their respective classrooms, whilst KS2 staff will meet parents in the main school hall. Parents are reminded that appointments are allocated in 10 minute blocks and that these need to be adhered to if the evenings are to ‘run smoothly’. To ensure the security of the building, would parents please note that only the main door will be open on both evenings.

## NO DANCE CLUB ON MONDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

**NO NETBALL OR CHOIR CLUBS ON WEDNESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY**

The Rock project school of rock & pop is launching a brand new school in Bradley Stoke. Established successfully all over the UK, they give opportunities for 7-18 year olds to learn how to play guitar, bass, drums or vocals and perform regularly as part of a band. The sessions will be held every Wednesday after school in Bradley Stoke Library. For further information, please email: [matt@therockproject.com](mailto:matt@therockproject.com), call **0800 04 07 390** or visit [www.therockproject.com](http://www.therockproject.com)

Phone 01454 863147 or email [Christine.wright@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:Christine.wright@southglos.gov.uk)

- PLEASE NOTE DINNER MONEY SHOULD BE PAID ON A MONDAY AND SENT VIA THE CLASS IN A CLEARLY LABELLED ENVELOPE. IF YOU WISH TO PAY FOR THE WHOLE TERM IN ADVANCE THIS IS ACCEPTABLE. PLEASE CAN YOU MAKE SURE DINNER MONEY, TRIP MONEY AND WHEATFIELD PLUS MONEY ARE IN SEPARATE ENVELOPES AS THEY ALL RELATE TO DIFFERENT ACCOUNTS. YOUR HELP WOULD BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.
- PLEASE NOTE WE WILL NO LONGER BE SENDING CHANGE FOR DINNER MONEY

Don't forget the Friends Valentine's Disco on Friday 6th February—it should be a lot of fun for everyone who has a ticket!

#### Dates for the Diary

- Friday 6th February—Friends Valentine's Disco
- Friday 6th February—Shaun the Sheep Movie opens in cinemas
- Monday 9th February—Parents Evening—NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS
- Wednesday 11th February—Parents Evening— NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS
- Friday 13th February—4H Assembly
- Friday 13th February—Last Day of Term 3
- Monday 23rd February—First Day of Term 4
- Friday 6th March—Y6 trip to Lifeskills Centre
- Friday 13th March—Red Nose Day—6G Assembly
- Monday 16th March—Book Fair this week
- Friday 20th March—World Book Day Dress Up Day—1H Assembly
- Friday 27th March—End of Term 4
- Monday 13th April—Start of Term 5
- Friday 1st May—Inset Day
- Monday 4th May—Bank Holiday—School closed
- Monday 11th May—Y6 SATs week
- Friday 22nd May—Last Day of Term 5
- Monday 1st June—1st Day of Term 6
- Friday 19th June—Inset Day
- Friday 17th July—Last day of school year for children.
- Monday 20th July—Inset Day
- Tuesday 1st September—Inset Day
- Wednesday 2nd September—First day of Term 1 2015/16

**A REMINDER THAT SCHOOL CLOSSES ON FRIDAY  
13TH FEBRUARY FOR THE SPRING BREAK AND  
REOPENS ON MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY.**

## SAFER INTERNET DAY

I/We will be attending the Parent online safety information session on 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 2.45pm.

Name/s attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

I/We cannot attend but would be interested in attending a future session in the evening.

Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENTS' EVENINGS—FEBRUARY 2015

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

I would like an appointment to see the following member/s of staff:

On Monday 9th February

On Wednesday 11th February

Time                      Teacher

Time                      Teacher

Between 3.50-5pm

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5-6.30pm

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_

