

Wheatfield Primary School

Inspired to Achieve

Respect • Responsibility • Resilience

Newsletter

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This Week at Wheatfield

It has been a long term but there is still a lot to squeeze in as we move into the final week of term! The performances are really taking shape and a new set of microphones has helped 'pump up the volume'! We look forward to welcoming lots of you into school next week to see the finished shows.

Phil Winterburn - Headteacher

Year 6 Lifeskills Visit

Our Year 6 children had an excellent visit to the Bristol Lifeskills Centre last week. The centre is set up to help young people learn how to keep themselves safe in a variety of situations e.g. when crossing roads, around railway lines etc. The centre is very well equipped to do this, with lifesize sets which immerse children in a scenario and allow them to react as they would in real life. As part of their visit every child also got to make a 999 call and spoke to an operator who took them through the exact script they would face if they were reporting a real emergency.



Like so many of these amazing resources, the Lifeskills Centre is a charity and relies on donations, sponsors and volunteers to continue to operate. Alongside this newsletter we are sending out a flier from the centre as they are on the lookout for more volunteers. If you or anyone you are associated with could spare a little time to help then I can reassure you your time would be incredibly well spent. \odot

Request from the Reception Team

In Reception we're trying to update our role play areas by introducing real resources that match children's home experiences in order to develop language. We would like to try and collect the items listed below which reflect children's similarities / differences and cultures. Electrical items do not need to be in working condition. If you're unsure please speak to a member of the reception team. The photo below shows the sort of look we are trying to create.



Our wish list...

jewellery (no earrings), artificial plants, small coffee table, recipe and cook books, magazines for children, clean recycled packaging which reflect different cultures (no nuts), photo album, tea towels, cushions, old mobile phone, broken camera, clock, hair dryer (doesn't have to work), clean baby bottles, play babies and clothes, clothes rail and hangers (please check with staff), photo frames, wicker and/or natural resources/baskets, ice cube tray, biscuit tin

Bring a Book, Take a Book

This shocking statistic was shared last week by the National Literacy Trust ...



The report also found that children who own books are six times more likely to read above the expected level for their age.

Whilst your child may have access to plenty of books, the importance of immersing them in a wide-range of reading materials is clearly important.

We are inviting every family to send any unwanted children's books (in good condition) into school next week. On Friday, these books will be put out (in the hall or playground depending on the weather) and children will be invited to take one as a small gift from the community.

We hope you are able to take part. Thank you.

Christmas Performances

We are looking forward to seeing lots of you at next week's performances (details of dates / times below). A couple of messages relating to this:

- ✓ Performances start at 9.30am. Please queue at the main entrance. Please do not enter the hall by any other doors. We will try and get you into the hall as early as possible but need time to set up. ⊕
- ✓ Our retiring collection will support two charities:

Bristol After Stroke (a local charity which helps people recovering from strokes). This was nominated by Dr Kumar (Saanvi's dad) who works closely with the charity and has led a number of fundraisers for them.

Children's Hospice South West (a regional charity who do amazing work to support children with life limiting conditions). This charity was nominated by The School Council at their recent meeting.

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School Values Award: Choose Respect - Take Responsibility - Show Resilience

This term's value is **'responsibility'**. This week's theme is **'responsible for my health'**. This week's challenge is to **'choose a health goal to work on e.g. brushing teeth, walking more'**.

	Our award goes to	
1B	Oliver	Niki
2D	Kate	Hafiz
3B	Alfie	George
4L	Tilly	Sophie
5D	Olivia	Pranjal
6G	Emily	Nitin

	Our award goes to	
1E	Odysseas	Sanantha
2M	Liam	Syed
3G	John	Afaaf
4M	Zuzanna	Zach
5E	Caden	Shriyaa
6W	Tobias	Aimee

Dates for Term 2 (new dates are highlighted)

Date	Event
Monday 16 th December @ 9.30am	KS2 Carols – families of Year 3 and 5 children
Tuesday 17 th December @ 9.30am	Infant Nativity – families of RC, RM & 2D
Wednesday 18 th December @ 9.30am	KS2 Carols – families of Year 4 and 6 children
Thursday 19 th December @ 9.30am	Infant Nativity – families of 1B, 1E and 2M
Friday 20 th December	Term 2 ends
Monday 6 th January	Term 3 begins

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