

# **Wheatfield Primary School**

Inspired to Achieve

Respect • Responsibility • Resilience

# **Newsletter**

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#### This Week at Wheatfield

It's been a pleasure to spend some time alongside the children in their classrooms this week. After a long period out of school it is impressive to see how quickly the children have settled back into routine and focused on their learning. There has been some fantastic work already across all areas of the curriculum. Phil Winterburn - Headteacher

## **Eco-Council & Eco-Club**



As our Eco-Council was only established not long before lockdown we have decided to let the group continue into the new school year.

The council are supported by Miss Cook and Mrs Boyes and will start meeting again on a Thursday after school (until 4.15pm). The council have a lot to think about this year with the school having secured a sizable grant to take part in a 'nature needs' project, further developing our grounds to encourage and sustain wildlife. Mr Morris (one of our governors) has been pivotal in bidding for this grant and will also work alongside the council.

When the council launched, we received over one hundred applications from children to join. The Eco-Council will therefore be ensuring their classmates are fully involved in all future work. Look out for more updates.



#### **Recommended Reads**

We can't let a week go by without shouting out about reading! It's great to see so many children

getting off to a strong start with their reading – 5 times a week is the magic number!

If you're feeling short on inspiration about what to read then we have lists of 100 recommended reads for each year group available to download on our website.

https://www.wheatfieldprimary.com/home-learning/100-recommended-reads

Remember – you don't have to read alone – enjoying books together is good for all ages!

#### **Well Done Harper**



Congratulations to Harper in 4L who took part in the 'Race for Life' last Saturday running an impressive 5K. Harper only heard about the race very recently and was interested to learn that it supported Cancer Research. Harper's gymnastics coach sadly lost her battle against cancer a

short time ago and Harper felt inspired to raise money in her honour. She set up a JustGiving page with the aim of raising £100. To date, Harper has raised £245 – her family and school are very proud of her!

## **Great Days Out**

Children learn and absorb so much from the world around them. Getting out and about, exploring new places and having your imagination sparked by experiences is part of being a great learner. We are incredibly lucky to have city like Bristol on our doorstep with its rich history, fascinating geography and endless places to explore. We've dedicated a page on our website to 'great days out': <a href="https://www.wheatfieldprimary.com/our-learning/great-days-out">https://www.wheatfieldprimary.com/our-learning/great-days-out</a>

We hope that you can take a look and, over time, visit some of these places as a family. We'd also like to add to this page so if you know of (or discover) places which we could share, do let us know. Places that are free to visit or access are important so please share these too. ©

# **Stay Safe on Site**

Thank you for your efforts to stay safe and respect social distancing on the school site. As time passes and we become more used to being together it is easy for these good habits to drift. A reminder to please observe the following at all times:

- Only one adult per family to accompany children on site
- Children should not use the play equipment before or after school
- Please keep children by your side whilst on site
- ➤ Leave the site quickly once you have dropped off or collected avoid hanging round to 'catch up with others'
- Try to maintain 2 metres social distancing at all times – step back and wait for others around 'pinch points' e.g. entry / exit gates

## **Hot Chocolate Fridays**

Normally our Values Award winners get to attend 'hot chocolate Friday' with Mr Winterburn. Due to current restrictions, we can't hold these sessions. Instead, your child will bring home a sachet of Galaxy hot chocolate drink – please make a fuss of them and find a relaxing time to enjoy their drink and celebrate their success.

#### Safe and Considerate Parking

A reminder to park safely and considerately if you are travelling by car. Ideally, we would request that you park beyond the immediate area around the school and walk the final section of your journey. The roads around the school will always be busy (especially on wet days) and it is important that we keep the area safe for everyone. When neighbour's driveways are blocked or used for turning vehicles, they often approach the school with their complaints — this takes up valuable time and is often hard for us to resolve. © Thank you for your co-operation.

# **School Council Elections**



Our School Council are elected each year in Years 2 – 6. Two children from each class attend council meetings and discuss projects and ideas which can

influence the whole school. This year's elections are taking place before the end of term – more information from Mrs Elmore and Miss Evans will be making its way to classes in the next week. If your child expresses and interest in standing then encourage them to put themselves forward.

# <u>School Values Award</u>: <u>Choose Respect – Take Responsibility – Show Resilience – Be Kind</u>

	Our award goes to	
RC	Mohammed	Zoey
1C	Sophia	Hamza
2B	Corey	Jacob
3D	Daisy	Will
4L	Freya	Muhaymin
5E	Freya A	Lauren P
6G	Madison	Sammy

	Our award goes to	
RD	Levente	Ethan
1E	Nathan	Emily T
<b>2</b> D	Max	Isabelle
3G	Jack	Rose
4M	Minerva	Iishaan
5R	Куа	Mahad
6W	Isla	Oliver

**Chair of Governors: Mrs Jillian Cumming** 

#### **Dates for Term 1**

Date	Event
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Parents' Evenings
	Booking window closes Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October @ 6pm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Term 1 ends
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	INSET Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Term 2 begins

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