



Wheatfield Primary School

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Newsletter

Term 4 Issue 3

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This Week at Wheatfield

It has been fantastic to welcome everyone back to school this week. The children have been so happy to be back with their teachers and friends. A big thank you to families for your support and positive comments about everything – we hope it's felt a little quieter at home this week!

Phil Winterburn - Headteacher

Science Week

This week we have celebrated British Science Week. We have completed a range of activities across different areas of science. We have been going on bug hunts, searching for Scientist and inventors and inventing our own Robo Bugs in line with this year's theme, 'Innovating for the Future'.

Our main event took off with a bang. Children were designing and making their own space shuttles. We tested the shuttles and measured the distance they travelled. We discussed what we can do to improve our space craft and to make it fly even further. The children considered wingspan, the shape of the nose cone and air resistance. It was lovely to see so many children engaged in scientific discussions and eager to innovate their space shuttles. It was out of this world and we had a blast!

Miss Long

(Science Leader)



A reminder that you can enter a competition to design a poster for this year's theme - 'Innovating for the Future'. Entries can be made online via the link below:

<https://www.britishtscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/>

Staggered Starts

A reminder to please observe our staggered start times.

	Arrival window
Reception, Year 1 & 2	9.00 – 9.10am
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	8.45 – 8.55am

Infant children (who do not have a sibling in Key Stage 2) should not be entering class before 9.00am. This is to reduce the number of people on site at any time. ☺ Thank you.

Lateral Flow Testing for Families

A reminder that families can now get hold of 'lateral flow tests' free of charge. These are designed to be used twice a week (on the adults in the family) to identify any asymptomatic cases. We would strongly encourage all families to take part in this programme. More information can be found via the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/understanding-lateral-flow-antigen-testing-for-people-without-symptoms>

Parents' Evenings

We will be holding virtual parents' evenings on **Tuesday 30th & Wednesday 31st March**. This will provide you with an opportunity to speak with your child's teacher about how they have settled back into school and about our aspirations for their learning in the summer term.

Booking your appointment

Our booking window opens on Friday 19th March at 6pm and will close on Sunday 28th March @ 6pm. You should book via our online system – <https://wheatfield.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Microsoft Teams

You will receive an invitation link to your MS Teams meeting on Monday 29th March. Most of you will be familiar with using MS Teams by now and this system worked very successfully when we used it in the autumn term.

These meetings are designed to be short (maximum 8 minutes) sessions to touch base with all families. If you have anything to discuss which you believe may take longer than this then it is worth contacting class teachers separately.

Red Nose Day



The nation will be marking Red Nose Day on Friday 19th March. To support this worthy cause we are inviting children to come to school dressed in something red.

Unfortunately, we are asking children not to wear the official red noses as these tend to be taken on and off lots (and sometimes get mixed up) which could pose a Covid risk at this time. As an alternative, children are welcome to paint their nose red should they wish to.

This year, Comic Relief are asking everyone to 'share a smile' and have produced a blank poster (which we have attached) where children could write a favourite joke or draw a funny picture. You may like to display the poster at home and teachers will be inviting children to share any jokes (age-appropriate only) on the day.

We are suggesting a donation of £1 to Comic Relief to take part in the fun – this can be gifted via ParentPay – please do not send in cash at this time. ☺ Many thanks.

School Values Award: *Choose Respect – Take Responsibility – Show Resilience – Be Kind*

Our award goes to ...		
RC	Heather	Arran
1C	Pranav	Freya
2B	Elsa	Ellis
3D	Whole Class	Whole Class
4L	Monish	Sarah
5E	Suhirtha	Megan
6G	Isabella	Flo

Our award goes to ...		
RD	Klay	Alexa
1E	Megan	Rayan
2D	Oliver	Theia
3G	Olivia	Bilal
4M	Minerva	Miley
5R	Rachael	Holly
6W	Bailey	Sarim

Dates for Term 4

Date	Event
Friday 19 th March	Red Nose Day – wear red – donate £1
Tuesday 30 th March Wednesday 31 st March	Parents' evenings – bookings open Friday 19 th March @ 6pm and close on
Thursday 1 st April	Term 4 ends
Monday 19 th April	Term 5 begins

A reminder that the school year ends on Monday 19th July (Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st are INSET days)

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