



# Wheatfield Primary School

*Inspired to Achieve*

Respect • Responsibility • Resilience

## Newsletter

Term 4 Issue 4

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021

### This Week at Wheatfield

The children are well and truly settled back into the rhythm and routine of school and it has been lovely to see a range of excellent learning taking place this week. The children talk about their happiness at being back with friends and teachers once again – thank you for supporting your child to re-settle back into the school experience.

**Phil Winterburn - Headteacher**

### Hedgehog Re-homing

Nine rescued hedgehogs that have been looked after over the winter by volunteers from Hedgehog Rescue Bristol and South Gloucestershire have been released into the grounds this week.

Children from the Eco-Council carried out a litter pick ahead of the release programme and a trail has been set up for pupils to follow and learn about Britain's favourite wild animal.

The hedgehogs will spend their days in hedgehog houses built by pupils last November, whilst at night they will forage for food within the school grounds. Supplementary food is also being provided to ensure they are well cared for.

The release programme is part of our 'Nature's Needs' biodiversity project, which aims to increase wildlife within the school grounds and the surrounding community. Children have already built bird boxes that have been put up in the Wild Wood. There has also been a successful bird ringing project which has seen nearly 40 birds weighed, sexed and aged. So far 9 species have been recorded through the project.

The next phase of the project is to create a series of Hedgehog Highways, starting from the school and expanding out into neighbouring gardens. Hedgehogs can travel up to 2 miles a night in search for food, so the pupils are keen to make holes in garden fences to allow the hedgehogs to roam around the town.

The project has received funding from South Gloucestershire Council's Climate Emergency Fund and the Member Awarded Funding scheme. The Almondsbury Charity has also kindly donated to the community wildlife project. The project is also being supported by the Friends of Wheatfield Primary School. It's hoped that lessons can be learnt from the project and shared with other schools in the area to boost biodiversity within Bradley Stoke.



### Year 6 Art

Y6 have been busy painting and varnishing the coiled clay pots which they made at home during lockdown. We were so impressed that all the children collected clay from school to complete our art project and most pots have made it to the painting stage without breaking!



### Keep Moving & Be Considerate

I've been contacted one of the school's neighbours this week who was concerned about some unsafe and inconsiderate behaviour by families in Wheatfield Drive. I would urge you all to keeping moving once you leave the school site and be aware of residents and other pedestrians who are using the pavements during drop off and pick up. ☺ Thank you.

### We are recruiting for a School Business Manager

I'm sorry to say that we are losing Mrs Hickson, our School Business Manager, who is moving on to a new job.

We are therefore recruiting for this senior role within the school. If you are interested in this post (or know anyone who might be) then please visit our website to take a look at the recruitment pack.

<https://www.wheatfieldprimary.com/our-school/vacancies>

We are happy to be contacted by anyone who is suitably qualified to explore the role further.

### Parents' Evening Booking System

A reminder that our Parents' Evening booking system opens TONIGHT at 6pm and closes on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March @ 6pm. You should book via our online system –

<https://wheatfield.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

You will receive an invitation link to your MS Teams meeting on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

I would urge all families to sign up to hear about how your child has settled back into school and our plans for the remainder of the year.

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

	Our award goes to ...	
RC	Jamie	Maya
1C	Manasvi	Scarlett
2B	Alex	Erika
3D	Jude	Ethan
4L	Harper	Iris
5E	Lillie	Farrhan
6G	Anna	Tyler

	Our award goes to ...	
RD	Anay	Esme
1E	Seth	Solomon
2D	Eli	Maisie
3G	Rose	Emmie
4M	Kirpa	Ben
5R	Mahad	Joe
6W	Isla	Jack

### Dates for Term 4

Date	Event
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Parents' evenings – bookings open Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March @ 6pm and close on
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Term 4 ends
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Term 5 begins
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of the school year
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July & Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET Days – school closed to children

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