



Weekly Newsletter

Living to Learn, Learning to Live



REACH FOR THE STARS

4.02.2022

Key Dates

Half Term: 21st February to 25th February 2022

SPOT-LIGHT ON LEARNING



ACADEMIC YEAR 2021—2022

Autumn Term 2021
1st September 2021 - 21st December 2021

Half term: 25th October to 29th October 2021

Spring Term 2022
5th January 2022- Friday 8th April 2022

Half Term: 21st February to 25th February 2022

Summer Term 2022
25th April - 20th July

May day: Monday 2nd May

27th May Jubilee Day

Week beginning Monday 30th—Friday 3rd June—INSET Days

Whit Break: 6th June

Y6 Arrived safely and have had a great first day at Robin Wood.

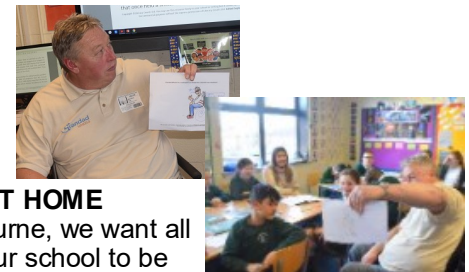


THIS WEEK IN PSHE

This term we will be studying 'Living in the Wider World'

This week we have been thinking about diversity. Diversity is also about recognising, respecting and valuing differences based on ethnicity, gender, age, race, religion and disability.

This week we had a visit from author Brian 'Grandad's Wheels'. Brian shared his exciting adventures about himself and his grandson Archie! The children really loved listening to a real life author, Brian was a real inspiration to our children, we hope to have him in again in the future.



MATHS AT HOME—help your child with maths at home!

We all know how important it is to brush our teeth and wash our hands.
Why not work your way through your times tables while you are doing it?
How many could you work on today?

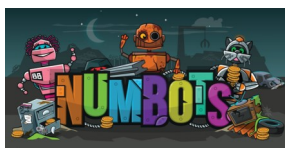
READING AT HOME

At Wellesbourne, we want all children in our school to be avid and confident readers. We will do all we can in school, but we need your support at home too. Whether you're encouraging your child to read more or supporting your child to learn to read, it is vital children are reading their home reader regularly at home. Did you know that reading promotes achievement in all subjects, not just English? When a child has read 10 books they can visit Mrs Ryan's Book shop. We have nearly been in school for 20 weeks since September. If your child is reading one book a week, they will be coming up to get their second book from Mrs Ryan. Well done for your dedication at reading at home and we hope you enjoy your reward! If you need any help with supporting your child read, please come in to school and speak to your child's class teacher or the learning mentor- Miss Moore.



Most correct answers: Christopher Yr 6—2,582
Most coins: Christopher Yr 6—12,977
Improved speed: Luca Yr 3 - Improved by 2.78 sec
Fastest all-time peed: Mirabel Yr 6 - 0.49 sec

Most minutes played: Gracie Y5—45 mins
Correct answers: Cayla Yr 1—162
Most coins: James Yr 2-1,571





MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBENG

7-13 February 2022

Children's Mental Health Week is taking place on 7-13 February 2022. This year's theme is Growing Together. We will be encouraging children (and adults) to consider how they have grown, and how they can help others to grow. Free resources will help you take part in the week. All of the ideas can be adapted for use in school, for home-schooling, online lessons or independent learning.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

HISTORY CORNER

6th February this week mark's the 70th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II (Elizabeth Alexandra Mary; born 21 April 1926), our current Queen of the UK and Commonwealth countries, reign. She became Queen when her father, King George V, died on 6 February 1952. Since 9 September 2015, Elizabeth II has ruled longer than any other monarch in the UK's history. She has also ruled longer than any other living king or queen in the world!

The countries of which she is Queen are known as Commonwealth realms. Their total population is over 129 million. Although Elizabeth II is the queen of each country separately, all are independent countries. Elizabeth II lives and spends most of her time in the United Kingdom. In all the other countries where she is queen, a person is chosen to represent her. This person may be known as the Governor General.

Elizabeth II has few political powers, and is not a ruler in the usual sense. She is Queen and interested in the running of her countries, but she does not tell the governments what to do. She has regular meetings with people from her governments, but they run the countries. She performs ceremonies for the governments, gives out honours, and visits and supports many charities.

In 1947, the Queen married Prince Philip who sadly died in 2021. The Queen and Prince Philip have four children, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

By Maisy & Lucas (Y5 History Ambassadors)



Our History Ambassadors

FEBRUARY IS LGBTQ+ MONTH

LGBT History Month provides role models, builds community, and represents a civil rights statement about the contributions of the LGBTQ+ community.



Year One Phonics

This week in Phonics, Year One have been learning the **wh** (when, whisker), **ph** (phonics, dolphin), **ew** (screw, new) & **oe** (toe, goes) sounds from Phase 5.

We have mnemonics from Essential Letters and Sounds to help us remember these sounds:

- wh: whip with the whisk
- ph: photo on a phone
- ew: the crew flew
- oe: tiptoe past the doe

See if you can spot any of these sounds when reading your books at home!

Keep working hard practising all the sound and words you have been

Check out our website for tips of how to support phonics learning.

<https://wellesbourneschool.co.uk/learning/english/>

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Attend



SPOTLIGHT ON READING—We love to read!

Pearl from RGG recommends 'Superhero Hotel' by Abie Longstaff

"It is a good book about Superheroes. They have really cool powers and all have to help each other.

I like Ice woman best when she freezes the pool"



ATTENDANCE IS ONE OF OUR VALUES.

ATTENDANCE Superstars last week are Year 3CM with 94.4% attendance all week!!

Well done Year 3CM!

PLEASE try to make sure your child is in school, on time, every day.

Weekly Newsletter Early Years

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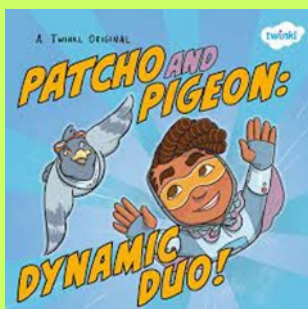
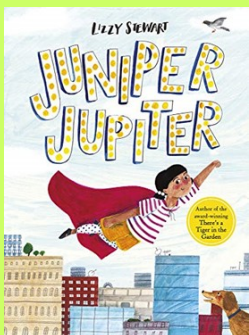
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Key Dates

Reception have P.E every Tuesday.
Children are to come to school wearing their P.E kits.

SPOT-LIGHT ON LEARNING IN OUR EARLY

These are our home time reading books.



Why not Google them if you want to see more, for free

IN NURSERY THIS WEEK

Cooperate



A few weeks ago we asked the children in our key groups what fun things they would like to do during key group time and together we made a list. This week Miss Abe's key group chose to make bubble pictures. We mixed paint and washing up liquid together and practised blowing through a straw to create bubbles. Then we placed paper on top of the bubbles to create a bubble effect. The children had so much fun watching the bubbles come out of the pot in lots of different colours. Mrs Wallace's group asked to read a story during key group time so this week they read, 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. The children listened beautifully and enjoyed using the puppets and props to retell the story. They have been using the small house and props to retell the story during continuous provision.

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In Maths this week we have been learning all about the number 4. We learnt the rhyme 'Down and over, down some more. That's the way we make a four'. The children went on a hunt around our Nursery to find the number 4, they counted 4 objects, did four jumps and claps and looked at four sided shapes. Try going on a number hunt around your home and look out for the number 4, take a photo and upload it to Tapestry.



IN RECEPTION THIS WEEK

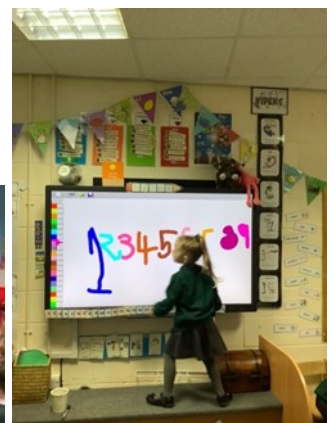
This week in reception we have been looking at Juniper Jupiter some more and thinking of questions we would like to ask her if she visited our school. For example: What's your favourite flavour ice cream? Or how could I be your sidekick? In Phonics we have learned the sounds ai, ee, igh, and oa this week. We will be sharing some useful information with you next week about Phonics, reading and writing. Look out for this on Tapestry and our ParentApp.

In maths our focus has been 6,7 and 8 and the composition of these numbers. We used dominoes and ladybirds to support this.

We were also lucky this week to see Brian Abram the author, the author of Grandad's Wheels, the children loved meeting him and hearing a story from a real life Author.

Next Friday 11th February we will be having a Numbots day. There will be further information about this but we invite children to wear their own clothes with a number theme if possible.

Could we also ask parents to please send a water bottle to school everyday filled with water for your child and a waterproof coat, thank you.



NOTICEBOARD

OFSTED VISIT JANUARY 12TH AND 13TH

Check out our latest Ofsted report following the visit earlier this year.

A copy can be found on our web site and will be published on the Ofsted web site in 8 weeks time.

A big THANK YOU to all the children who took part in interviews with the inspector and to all the parents who responded to the Ofsted questionnaire.

It was great to hear so many good things about our school community.

IT'S YOUR CHILD'S LIFE

It's still not too late to join the remaining 2 weeks of our parent course 'It's Your Child's Life'.

The course is for parents of reception children to help them gain an insight into what their child is learning at school and how they are being taught. Each week there will be practical tips and ideas to help your child develop skills in reading, writing, maths, confidence and resilience.

**The last 2 weeks will be focussing on Phonics, Maths and English
The course runs on a Thursday morning, 9AM start**

EARLY YEARS OUTDOOR AREA

Work is beginning on Monday 7th February to complete the new Early Years Outdoor

Area. We are eagerly awaiting the addition of a climbing tower, a lookout tower and a canopy to extend the Reception classrooms.

We would like to apologise for the inconvenience caused during this installation but it will make our outdoor provision amazing and benefit our children for years to come.

A big thank you to Positive Futures who are kindly coming in to school to work with KS2 during Children's Mental Health Week.

Ryan and Gary from the team will be delivering exciting activities around the 'growing theme', helping children to understand how we grow emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt and trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone.

Positive futures offer some brilliant opportunities for children in the community, check out their website

<https://www.positivefutures.org.uk/>



The Liverpool ASD Training Team
School Coffee Morning/Afternoons



The Liverpool ASD Training Team are offering face to face or zoom base coffee morning/afternoon for parents' who will be supported by a school staff member. This is an opportunity for parent/carers whose children have or are awaiting an Autism Spectrum Diagnosis and wish to talk in a group setting about any questions or concerns they may have about their child.

Schools will book one of the sessions, we would then send you a link for the meeting that the school can forward onto parents who may benefit from attending the session.

Do not hesitate to contact the team if you have further questions To book your place please email your choice of date and time to asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk

Dates for March 2022

Monday 7th March

Tuesday 8th March

Wednesday 9th March

Thursday 10th March

Friday 11th March

Times for each date

Morning 10am – 11.30am
Afternoon 1pm – 3pm
There is some flexibility with these times.