



Wheatfield Primary School

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Newsletter

Term 2 Issue 5

Friday 7th December 2018

This Week at Wheatfield

The children have been busy rehearsing for their upcoming performances and the hall has been filled with the sound of many voices singing as one. We hope that lots of you are able to make the performances – we have invited families from different classes on different days to manage numbers in the hall but all children will be performing on each date.

Phil Winterburn - Headteacher

Science Week

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed participating in Science week. They dressed up as 'scientists' and conducted various exciting investigations to learn about materials and their properties. The children loved being immersed in the learning and especially enjoyed melting chocolate to understand a reversible change. They also very much enjoyed combining vinegar and bicarbonate of soda to produce a chemical reaction!



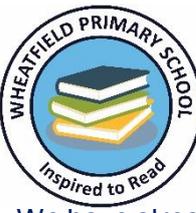
Reception Cake Sale

Reception would like to thank everyone who supported their cake sale last week. They were really pleased with the number of cakes donated and the large crowds who gathered to support it. They raised £128 towards our 20th anniversary fundraising.



Reading Challenge

As you will be aware, we re-launched our reading incentive at the start of the year.



We have already had around 70 children complete the '50 reads challenge' meaning they have been able to come and choose a brand new reading book as a prize. They have also been given one of our new 'Inspired to Read' stickers and had the honour of writing their name into our special book.

Thank you to everyone at home who has helped support their child with reading so far this year. We can't over emphasise what an important skill reading is – one which children use in almost every area of the curriculum.

We hope that Christmas stockings contain lots of books this year and that there's plenty of time for reading over the upcoming break. 😊

Attendance Update

Thank you to everyone who is ensuring their child attends school on time every day they are well enough to do so. Our average attendance for Term 1 was 97.9% which is very positive.

A reminder that the school's Attendance Policy does not allow holidays or other periods of leave to be authorised in term time and that taking your child out of school could result in the Local Authority issuing a Penalty Notice. A copy of our policy is available on the school website along with our attendance leaflet (which summarises the policy). Paper copies are available, on request, from the school office. Thank you.

Would you like to make money for The Friends whilst you shop online?



It's really easy to do this by joining the Easyfundraising site. Simply sign up, choose The Friends of Wheatfield as your cause and begin!

At this time of year, I imagine many of you will be shopping online so it is the perfect time to sign up. Most retailers with an online presence (Amazon, Argos, Boots, John Lewis etc.) support this scheme.

We currently have 60 people registered and their collective efforts have raised £1131.71 for the school – just think how much we could raise if every family (and extended family) signed up.

Joining is completely free and the process really couldn't be simpler – there is also a handy app to make the process even easier if you're on a smartphone or tablet. For more details, visit:

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

Our Christmas Postbox is Open



Remember:

- ✓ **Name**
- ✓ **Class**

Football News

The school football squad continue to impress with victories against Elm Park (7-3 - with hat tricks from both Cavalli and Ben) and on Tuesday, a win against St. Paul's Yate, in the South Glos Plate competition (4-3). All 18 squad members have now played football for the school and it has been particularly pleasing to see the Year 5 players holding their own and the Year 6s leading the way with some resolute defending and attractive passing football.

This Week's Awards

Congratulations to the recipients of our Values and Achievosaur Awards.

	Values	Achievosaur
RM		
1B	Hadassah	Ryan
2M	Toby	Sarah
3G	Will	Mia
4M	Jaytrejee	Ansh
5B	Zack	Alayah
6B	Harry	Anna

	Values	Achievosaur
RC		
1E	Isla G	Eliot
2CM	Aaditya	Andreas
3D	Jake	Chloe
4GM		
5M	Anayah	Ruby
6W	Saakketh	Aarush

Dates for Term 2

Date	Event
Monday 17 th December	Key Stage 2 Carol Concert for 3D, 4GM, 5M & 6B (9.15am start)
Tuesday 18 th December	Infant Nativity for RM, RC & 2M (9.15am start)
Tuesday 18th December	Christmas lunch day for the children
Wednesday 19 th December	Key Stage 2 Carol Concert for 3G, 4M, 5B & 6W (9.15am start)
Thursday 20 th December	Infant Nativity for 1B, 1E & 2CM (9.15am start)
Friday 21 st December	Last day of Term 2
Monday 7th January 2019	Term 3 begins

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