

Newsletter – Summer Term



Wistaston Academy
Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	Event
Monday 17 th May	
Tuesday 18 th May	Y3 Glee Club Y6 Dodgeball Club
Wednesday 19 th May	National Numeracy Day
Thursday 20 th May	Y5 Dodgeball Club
Friday 21 st May	Y1 Dance Club
Advanced Notice:	
Polite Notice:	Please note the school office opens at 8.30am each morning and is manned until 4.30pm. Before and after these times, there will be no access to the Main Reception area.

Covid-19 Road Map

A continuing level of caution is needed as we move through the roadmap therefore despite some restrictions being lifted across the country from next week, as a school, we will continue with our preventative measures we have implemented since June 2020. Please therefore note face coverings MUST still be worn on the school premises at all times.

We are Brilliant Winners

KS1: Alfie, Poppy, Inga

KS2: Amelia, Kairon, Poppy

It was great to see so many of you walking to school last week, even in the bad weather! Thank you for continuing to promote healthy active lifestyles. Keep up the good work!



Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been exploring slime. The children have had a great time and have used some fantastic words to describe how it feels “It’s jiggly, it’s funny” “sticky water” it’s so slippery” This thing’s slimy” “It’s sticky, squasy and green”.



Reception

This week the children really enjoyed making ‘Glitter Jars.’ The glitter in the jar represents what our brains does when we are angry or calm. When we feel calm our emotions are a bit like the glitter, they are soft, settled and calm. When we are feeling sad, angry or worried our emotions look a bit like the glitter when we shake the jar. They are jumping around mixing together and are all a bit crazy. The children are starting to use the glitter jars to help calm themselves down when they are angry. They shake the pot and practice ‘happy breathing’ until the glitter settles. This helps them to release the stress and return to a sense of calm.

We have also been fortunate enough to have another virtual visit from Chester Zoo, the children were fascinated to learn all about lions this week.



Year 4

This week in Science, we continued our learning of electricity and circuits. We looked at conductors and insulators. In our experiment, we looked at what materials were conductors and what were insulators.



Year 5

In this week's science lesson, we had an exciting opportunity to measure each other. Our findings were in line with the whole school results of girls being taller than boys.

Take a look at our pictures to find out more.



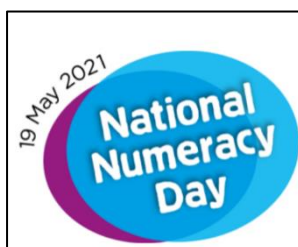
Year 6



Year 6 have enjoyed creating circuits this week. They were given the tasks of creating several circuits to see if they worked and then challenged to fix them if they didn't.

The children enjoyed adding more batteries to increase the voltage, particularly when using the motor component to see how far the fan would go!

National Numeracy Day



National Numeracy Day is next Wednesday. This year, as part of National Numeracy Day, we are looking at how numbers are an important part of everyday life and how they are used in many different jobs and hobbies. Your child is invited to take part in a competition where they can draw how they would love to use numbers when they grow up. Please hand any entries to your class teacher by 19th May. For more information about the competition, use the following link: <https://www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/numeracyday/school-heroes-comp>

School Uniform

A polite reminder please that children must wear appropriate school uniform. We are seeing children wearing trainers, these should be worn for PE only. Black shoes must be worn. Hair must be of natural colour and hair accessories kept to a minimum.

Autistic children offered free time gym classes

Apollo Buckingham University at Crewe Campus are offering an hour of free time in the gym for autistic children aged 3years - 18years. Please follow the link to book on to a class. A parent / carer must accompany the child.

<https://ls-gymnastics-crewe-academy.class4kids.co.uk/>

Year 6- Spoken Word

Following on from our workshop with Kenny Baraka, the children wrote individual poems about discrimination and equality. We also performed the poems as spoken word and recorded them on our iPads. I'm sure you'll agree they're very powerful. The following poem is by Morola. Check out our ClassDojo page for more examples.

Spoken word
Freedom is NO FEAR.
Everyone,
Everyone
Should have a voice.
Everyone,
Everyone
Should have the respect that they deserve.
Freedom is a caged bird flying free;
Fire and ice
Side by side
With seldom heard a discouraging word.
Everyone,
Everyone
Deserves equality.
But is there freedom now?

No there isn't.

Racism is the judging glances
From people you don't know.
And even though they try to hide it,

It always seems to show.
They cry about it,
Talk about it,
And try to show they care,
But no matter what they say,
You know that it's still there.

Sexism is a boring game
And it makes me ask why
The culprits are not held to shame.
Why should men have to be strong?
And why should women have a feminine pong?
And if you don't conform to standards,
It's like a "kick me" sign on your back,
And everyone knows society,
Will never cut you some slack.

So remember, general public,
No matter someone's gender, race or sex,
We are all human beings,
So show each other respect.

British Values



Wildlife SOS



<https://wildlifesos.org/>

On Monday, the children in Key Stage 2 had a webinar with a member of staff from the Wildlife SOS charity. The children loved hearing all about the work the charity does in India to protect and rescue animals. Each class even received a Raju teddy! Here are some comments from the children:

“An example we loved hearing about was the story of Emma the elephant. Emma couldn’t stop herself from lying down all day as she had to carry heavy seats with humans on her back! Thankfully, the Wildlife SOS team rescued Emma and she now lives a happy life!” - **Wiktor and Harlow Year 5**

“We really enjoyed seeing all the wonderful pictures and videos of the animals. It’s so nice to see that they are happy and being treated well. Our favourite was the leopards who had been rescued from falling down wells.” - **Charlie and Lucy R Year 3**

“I loved learning more about animals. It has inspired me to do that as a job myself.” - **Evin Year 4**

“I liked seeing the pictures of the elephants and finding out their names. My favourites were Peanut and Coconut.” - **Samuel Year 4**

“It inspired me to draw this poster telling people not to ride elephants!” - **Georgia Year 3**

