

Newsletter 25 – Spring Term



Wistaston Academy
Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday 28 th March	Y1 Trip to Delamere Forest Y6 Dodgeball Club	
Tuesday 29 th March	Y4 Swimming Y6 Forest School Y5 Dodgeball Club Y2 Multisports Club	
Wednesday 30 th March		
Thursday 31 st March	Y4 Dodgeball Club	
Friday 1 st April	Last day of school	Ramadan begins
Advanced Notice:	School reopens on Tuesday 19th April 2022 World Autism Day – 2.4.22	
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.	

We are Brilliant Winners

KS1: Isabelle, Angelo, Jenson

KS2: Roland, Amelia, Holly-Mae, Evie

The Hub

This week The Hub have used a digital art program on the netbooks to create pictures. The children worked with different colours and shapes, choosing how narrow or wide they wanted their drawing lines to be.



Nursery

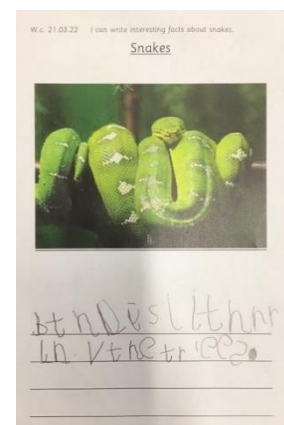
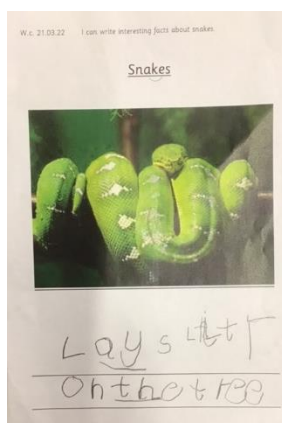
This week the nursery children have been using their imaginations in our out door area. They have been dressing up and acting out their favourite stories from the Story Shed.



Reception

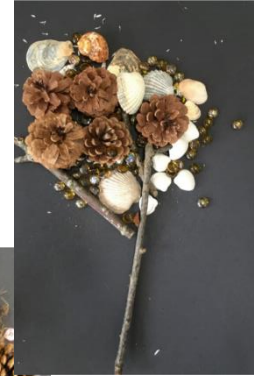
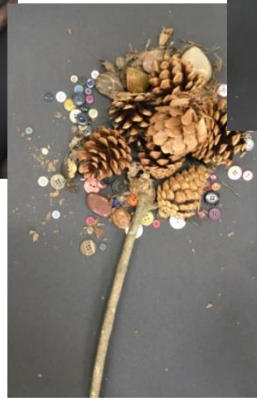
The rainforest!

This week Reception have been learning all about the Rainforest and the interesting animals that live there. We have discovered facts about Tigers, Snakes and Parrots and have worked hard to write sentences about them too.



Year 1

As part of our art work, we learnt about the sculptor Andy Goldsworthy. His work inspired us to create a seasonal spring tree.



Year 2

Last week, as part of British Science Week, Year 2 had a visit from some incredible animals.



Year 3

This week has been D&T week for Year 3 and we have been designing and building bridges. We have looked at the different types of bridges, the purpose of bridges, how we can strengthen bridges and the materials used. At the end of the week we tested our bridges by seeing if they could hold a 500g bag of sugar without collapsing and we were all very impressed with everyone's designs. Year 3 have loved creating and making their designs this week.



Year 4

Here are photos from our digestion experiment last week, we had so much fun experimenting with 'poo'.



This week in year 4, we have been very lucky to welcome Chip Kendall again. Chip Kendall, our arts patron, delivered a session which was highly engaging and informative. We enjoyed songs and dances about God's awesome rescue plan. We saw from Chip how Christians can worship in a different way and he talked about salvation and how Christians believe God gave his only son for us.



Year 5

This week, Year 5 have been completing a DT food project. Following Science Week last week, we had a design brief to create a biscuit that could be mass produced to promote Science. We had great fun tasting different sweet and savoury biscuits, creating our scientific design, baking our own and finally (the best bit) eating them! They were delicious!



Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been writing the Greek myth 'Theseus and the Minotaur'. We have worked incredibly hard to make our work cohesive and interesting for the reader.

and agreed to his deal. ✓
 As soon as the sun rose, Minos was not so kind to the children anymore. All of the children were dragged out of their beds and forcefully pushed into the gruesome depths of the labyrinth. As the door locked behind them, all the children could smell the stench of blood from recent victims. Deafening roars reverberated from deep within. The half-bull, half-man was ready for his next round of slaughtering. With no place for light to seep in, everyone grasped on to the door handles. Theseus tied

Harlow

MS11: "Father, I can assure you I am going to be fine. The children and I will be coming back victoriously!" Theseus said in glory.
 MS12: "If you insist on going then you may, but I will say once more: the minotaur is a hungry, blood-thirsty beast that will show no mercy!" ✓
 MS13: As Theseus bit his father a final farewell, he reassured him that he would not be disappointed. ✓
 MS14: After a long journey, they finally arrived at Crete and were greeted by King Minos, who was surprisingly friendly. He assured the prince and the children it would be their last night of freedom.

Kanya

MS10: 21st March
 Narrative retell Greek myth
 Many centuries ago, on an island named Crete, sat a greedy and ungrateful man: King Minos. To cure the presence of his boredom, Minos would often send his troops to Athens, since he had nothing left to look forward to. Eager to stop this battle, the king of Athens (King Aegeus) agreed to send 7 Athenian boys and 7 Athenian girls every 9 years to be slaughtered by Minos' blood-curdling beast: the Minotaur. ✓

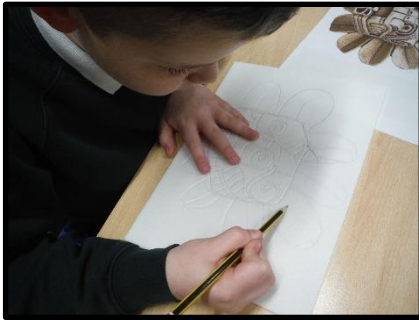
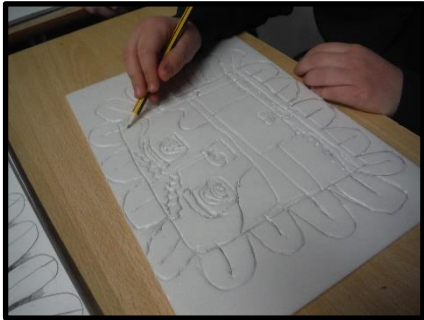
Warvan

MS10: 21st March
 Narrative retell Greek myth
 Many, many years ago, on the island of Crete, surrounded by dark seas, lived a powerful cold-hearted man: King Minos. Having anything and everything he desired, he soon started to grow bored. Purely for his own amusement, Minos regularly ordered his army to attack the Athenians near his city of Aphrodite (Crete). Desperate to protect his people, King Aegeus of Athens promised to send 7 boys and 7 girls every 9 years to feed the blood-thirsty beast, the Minotaur. This was until the heroic Prince of Athens stepped up. ✓

Holly-Mae

Art News
Focus on Year 5

In Year 5, we have been drawing linear designs based on Mayan art. We transposed these onto styrofoam blocks, etching deep grooves with sharp pencils so that we can print our images. We are planning to overlay our colours in the coming weeks, to create a layered design. We will also add a texture layer with torn tissue paper – so far it has been an exciting project!



Year 2 Art!



Year 2 have created clay birds that we imagined from the 'Emperor's garden in China. We listened to the story of how the first shadow puppets began, and **imagined** the garden. These birds are from our 3D unit in art. We created a **slab form**, then **moulded** our shapes. We **indented** our patterns to give our birds texture, then painted them carefully. Lastly, we formed exotic tails using wires, beads and buttons.



Artwork by:
Sam, Franciszek, Lexi, Christian, Miran, Benga, Maryam,
Johnny, Charlie, Tamera, Ollie, Shaylea, Layla (2A), Layla
(2B), Lincoln and Noah.

After school clubs

After school clubs will return from Monday 28th February - Thursday 31st March 2022. **All clubs are free of charge.** If your child is interested in taking part in any of our clubs, please sign them up through Arbor from 4:30pm on Thursday 17th February. **Please note, children who were signed up for clubs in previous term will need to sign up again.**

Our club days and times are:

Year 1 Gymnastics Club with Jasmine and Alisha Evanson from Cheshire Gymnastics

Friday 3:05-4pm



Year 2 Multisports Club with The Sports Coaching Company

Tuesday 3:05-4pm



Multisports give children the opportunity to take part in active, fun and rewarding sporting activities. Children will be able to try many different sports to broaden their interests and knowledge in physical activity.

Year 3 Dodgeball Club with The Sports Coaching Company

Friday 3:15-4:15pm

Year 4 Dodgeball Club with The Sports Coaching Company

Thursday 3:15-4:15pm

Year 6 Dodgeball with Mrs Adamczyk

Monday 3:15-4:15pm

Year 5 Dodgeball with Mrs Adamczyk

Tuesday 3:15-4:15pm



Dodgeball is a team sport in which players on two teams try to throw balls and hit opponents, while avoiding being hit themselves. Children will be active, enjoy playing with friends and will have fun!

Please ensure that ALL children are collected from clubs outside the main reception.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who bought or donated money for the Gingerbread biscuit sale.



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