

Newsletter 10 – Autumn Term



Wistaston Academy
Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday 21 st November	Before school Y3-6 Dodgeball club Y1 & 2 Gymnastics lunchtime club Year 3 – 6 Basketball Club Year 1 & 2 Football Club	
Tuesday 22 nd November	Before school Y3-6 Dodgeball club Y5 & 6 Gymnastics lunchtime club Y6 Swimming – (Swimming Kit/Towel/goggles needed) Y3 & 4 Football Club Y3-6 Athletics Club Y3 – 6 Sewing After school club	
Wednesday 23 rd November	Before school Y3-6 Dodgeball club Indoor Sports Hall Athletics Competition – 2:30pm till 5:30pm at South Cheshire College	
Thursday 24 th November	Before school Y3-6 Dodgeball club Year 3 – 6 Dodgeball Club	
Friday 25 th November	Before school Y3-6 Dodgeball club Year 5 & 6 Football Club Year 1 & 2 Multi Sports Club	
Advanced Notice:	Infant Games for all – 5 th December 2022 Thursday 1 st December – Soul Children singing at Minshull's Plant Nursery: 4:30 – 5:30pm	
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: Finley (1A), James (1B) Xander (2A)

KS2: Olivia (3B), Inga (3A) Josh (5A), Alyssa (6A), Kevin (6B)

Sports Awards

KS1 : Kayden (2B), Jenson (1A)

KS2: Leo (4B), Isla (5A)

The Hub

This week is Maths Week and The Hub children have marked this by exploring number through our story book. The children have extended their knowledge of mathematical vocabulary and can use this in different situations.



Nursery

This week to celebrate Maths Week we have been focusing on a new number every day. The children have especially enjoyed looking for the numerals and counting out the correct amount of objects. Our favourite number was the number 3!



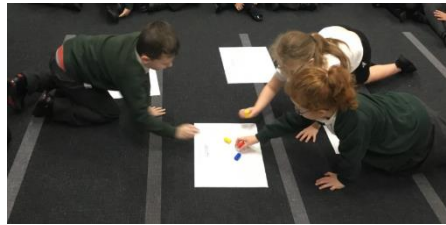
Reception

We have introduced our new topic 'Wild in Crewe' and spoke about how we are going to be learning about different wildlife animals. This week we have been learning about a squirrel, looking at their physical features, the types of food that they eat and where they live. The children have been labeling the body parts of a squirrel, drawing pictures and learning some fascinating facts. We have also celebrated Maths week by reading the story 'Pattern Fish' by Trudy Harris. The children explored what patterns they could see in the book as well as creating their own patterns using shapes and counters.



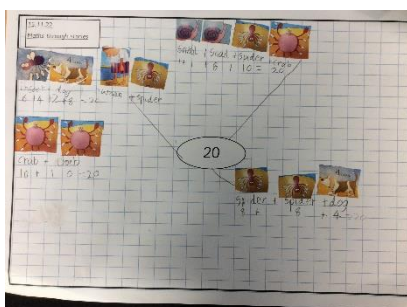
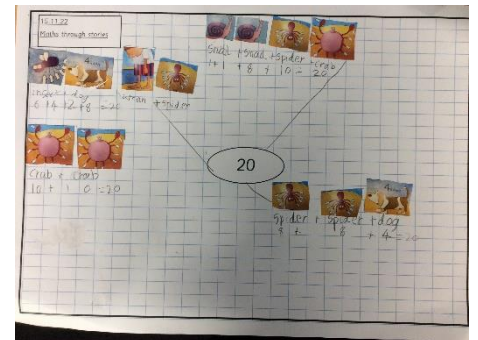
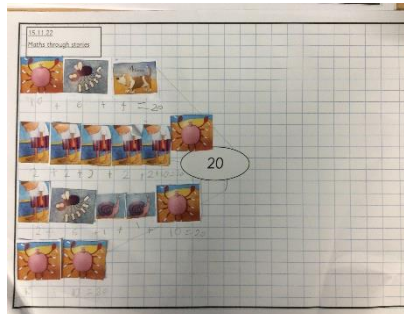
Year 1

This week in maths, we have been learning all about 3D shapes. We can now identify and name six 3D shapes, recognise the 3D shapes in real-life objects as well as being able to describe the properties of each shape.



Year 2

This week we have celebrated Maths Week by learning maths through a story. We read the book 'One is a Snail. Ten is a Crab'. We then used the characters from the story to make a total in different ways, like they did in the book!



Year 3
PSHE focus

This week we continued looking at our key concept of respect moving to self-respect. We discussed what respect is and how we can show respectful behaviour. We looked at the fable of the Lion King focusing on how we earn respect. We used Showbie for the first time, we had to register ourselves then had an explore of the app. Finally, we used Showbie to create our acrostic poem. We found it quite difficult as we had to use our fingers to scribe. Some of us worked out how to add a text box and fit it in.

Scan the code below to see some of the poems.

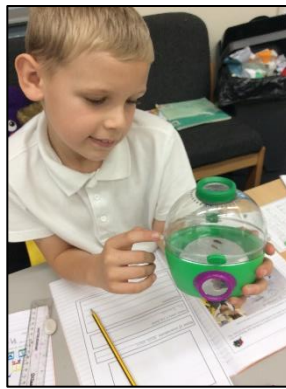


Calling Year 3

The week of 28th November, we will be making moving monsters. If you could bring in boxes or anything recyclable to make your monster.

Year 4

This week in Year 4, we sent some pupils on a bug hunt to see if they could find any invertebrates living on the school grounds. We predicted that it was most likely this would be from the family of insects due to the habitat and environment they live within, and used our classification keys to identify them using their characteristics/features. Using the magnifying glasses made this easier. We found a centipede, a worm, some caterpillar eggs/larvae and a woodlouse! We used these as inspiration to create our fact file.



Year 5

Today in science, we explored different types of edible foams and designed an experiment to see which type of foam is the best insulator. We did this by covering ice-cream with each of the three different foams before baking the ice-cream for 8 minutes. We were amazed at how some of the ice-cream was insulated enough that it did not melt!



Year 6

This week, we have been using drama to help us in the build up to our writing: we acted out a scene from our story 'Letters from the Lighthouse.' We worked in groups to show our understanding of the story, and then in partners to create a conversation between two of the main characters: Sukie and Olive. We thought carefully about how they were feeling at this point of the story and tried to convey this through our words, facial expressions and movements.



National Tutoring Programme

We are looking forward to working with Conexus, our tuition partner again this academic year. The DfE will continue to support schools to offer tutoring programmes. Strong evidence suggests that the model of targeted, academic support through highly trained tutors working with small groups can make a difference to academic progress that can be expressed in months. Children will be working in groups of 6 during normal school hours. Should you require any further information on this, please speak to your child's class teacher.



The Festive Season

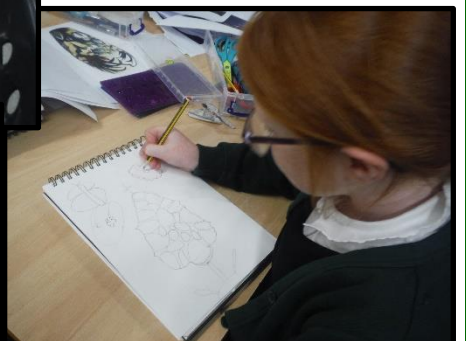
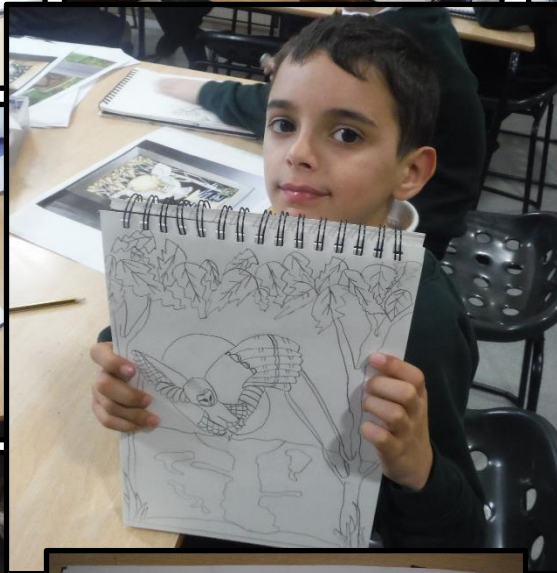
The Festive Season at Wistaston Academy Please can you register your children by using the QR code or clicking on the link below by Friday 2nd December. Thank you

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Art News
Focus on Year 5!

Year 5 have been working incredibly hard on their observational drawings inspired by the designs of our Arts Patron, Rachel Bishop. We are creating these detailed nature-inspired studies in preparation for combining them with an experimental textile piece. We are looking forward to showing Rachel our work!



PE News

PE Focus – KS2 Games for All event at South Cheshire College

On Monday 14th November, 10 children were selected to represent the school in a Games for All event. This event was ran by the South Cheshire College students who put on various sport activities that the children could try out. The activities that the children took part in were curling, basketball, hurdling, speed bounce and throwing a javelin or ball. Mr Barton was so proud of the way the children behaved and their positive attitudes to try new sports that they might of never done before.



PE Focus – Year 5 & 6 Dodgeball Competition at Shavington Academy

On Thursday 17th November, 12 children were selected to represent the school in a Year 5 & 6 competition. The children played against 6 other teams; they played five games into total lasting 2 minutes each. Both teams that Wistaston Academy put in the competition were able to win most of their matches and just losing a few games. All of their hard work in the practises with Miss Brown in the before school dodgeball club over the last couple of weeks had shown in the matches they played. Mr Barton and Miss Brown were so proud of all the children, with their positive attitude and for supporting eachother when their team mate was out.



PE Kit Reminder

The weather is starting to get a lot colder, so please can your child bring in some tracksuit bottoms and a jumper or sport zip up jacket as well as their normal PE kit.



Sport Clubs News

This half term, clubs will run from Monday 7th November – Thursday 15th December. All clubs, including those delivered by outside providers, will be free of charge. If your child is interested in taking part in any of our clubs, please sign them up through Arbor as all the clubs are live, there are still some spaces left in some clubs. If Arbor won't let you make a booking it is likely the club is full.

Please make sure your child has got the right sports kit for the club they are attending such as tracksuit bottoms and a waterproof jacket as the weather is getting colder.

Monday

Year 1 & 2 Gymnastics Club with Jasmine and Alisha Evanson from Cheshire Gymnastics

11:45am till 12:25pm

Year 1 & 2 Football Club with Miss Brown

3:05pm till 4:05pm

Year 3 – 6 Basketball Club with Mr Barton

3:15pm till 4:15pm

Tuesday

Year 3- 6 Gymnastics Club with Jasmine and Alisha Evanson from Cheshire Gymnastics

12pm till 12:35pm

Year 3 & 4 Football Club with Miss Brown

3:15pm till 4:15pm

Year 3-6 Athletics Club with Mr Barton

3:15 till 4:15pm

Thursday

Year 3 – 6 Dodgeball club with Miss Brown and Mr Barton

3:15pm till 4:15pm

Friday

Year 1 & 2 Multi sports with Miss Brown

3:05pm till 4:05pm

Year 5 & 6 Football Club with Mr Barton

3:15pm till 4:15pm

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



Active Home Challenge

How many times can you hop on the spot in 60 seconds?

Can you beat Mr Barton's score 36 times in 60 seconds !!

Once you have completed the challenge, please let Mr Barton know and you will win a raffle ticket.

British Values



 **UN Rights of a Child** 

We have the right to be protected from doing work that is dangerous or bad for our education, health or development. Some dangerous tasks are now carried out by robots, helping keep people safe.

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PROTECTION FROM HARMFUL WORK

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 **British Values**  

Individual Liberty

People are responsible for advances in science and technology. It is important that risks are managed and the consequences considered carefully so that these advances help us.



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Attendance

Wk 07.11.22 – 11.11.22

Target 96%

Reception A – 91.7%

Reception B – 93.9%

1A – 98% 😊

1B – 91.9%

2A - 95.8%

2B – 96.6%



KS1 Attendance for last week - 94.6% 😞

Whole school attendance for the academic year – 94.8% 😞

Attendance

Wk - 07.11.22 – 11.11.22

Target 96%

3A = 96.8% 😊

3B = 88.7%

4A = 84.8%

4B = 94.1%

5A = 89.6%

5B = 91.6%

6A = 84.5%

6B = 85.5%



KS2 for the week = 89.4% 😞

Whole school attendance for the academic year – 94.8% 😞

**CREWE
CHRISTMAS
LIGHTS
SWITCH ON
EVENT**

ENTERTAINMENT - MUSIC
FESTIVE FUN!

ALL WELCOME

FAMILY FUN!

ACTIVITIES
11AM - 6.30PM

**SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER
2022**

SWITCH ON AT MUNICIPAL
BUILDING. 6.20PM!



CREWE
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CHRISTMAS IN CREWE!

SAT 26 NOV	CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON, CREWE TOWN CENTRE
11 - 6PM	Christmas Post Office (with elves 12 - 5pm!) at Christ Church
12 - 5PM	Christmas letter writing with Creative Crewe at the Library
12 - 4PM	Main Stage at the Municipal Buildings Join the Cheshire Pop Choir, Crewe Brass, Love Crewe and the Lyceum Choir for a community takeover!
5 - 6.30PM	Christmas Lights Switch On Including live music, Father Christmas and the Countdown! (Lights Switch on at 6.20pm)

For more information visit:
www.crewetowncouncil.gov.uk/whats-on-events/christmas-in-crewe/

Christmas at Crewe Market Hall

26 & 27 NOV	10 - 4 - Christmas Market in Market Square & Market Hall
30 NOV - 24 DEC	Winter Wonderland in Crewe Market Hall
SAT 3 DEC	11 - 3 - Children's Christmas Activities with Creative Crewe
SUN 4, 11, 18 DEC	Come and meet Father Christmas!
THURS 16 DEC	St. Thomas More Christmas Concert
SAT 24 DEC	4 - 6 - Follow Santa's Journey from Lapland on the Big Screen

Christmas in Queens Park

SAT 10 DEC	CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK FROM 10AM!
11 - 2PM	Meet Santa in the Cafe (£3 per child)
FROM 11AM	Christmas Crafts with Creative Crewe in the Bowls Pavilion
FROM 2PM	Festive Songs with the Funky Choir