

Newsletter 17 – Spring Term



Wistaston Academy
Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday 23 rd January	Before school dodgeball club 3- 6 Yr 1&2 Dodgeball Yr 3-6 Basketball Yr 1&2 Lunchtime Gym An introduction to set 2 and 3 Parents RWI Meeting 2.30pm & 5.30pm	
Tuesday 24 th January	Before school dodgeball club 3- 6 Yr 3&4 Football Yr 3-6 Netball Swimming Y5 Yr 3-6 Lunchtime Gym Yr 3-6 Sewing Yr 5&6 Performing Arts	
Wednesday 25 th January	Before school dodgeball club 3- 6	
Thursday 26 th January	Before school dodgeball club 3- 6 Skipping Workshop – PE needed for all years Yr 3-6 Dodgeball Yr 3-6 Singing Yr 1&2 Lunchtime Singing Indoor Athletics Finals at Brine Leas school	
Friday 27 th January	Before school dodgeball club 3- 6 Skipping Workshop – PE needed for all years Yr 5&6 Football Yr 1&2 Multi-sports Indoor Athletics Finals at Brine Leas school	
Advanced Notice:	Monday 23 rd January – An introduction to set 2 and 3 Parents RWI Meeting 2.30 & 5.30 8 th February – Y5 & 6 Netball competition	
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: Jenson (1A), Reggie-James (1B), Michael (2B) Morayo (2A)

KS2: Oluwagbenga (3b), Charley (6B), Lucy (5B)

Sports Awards

KS1 : Kiera (1B), Theodore (2A)

KS2 : Callum (5A) Kairon (6B)

Nursery

This week we put our hats and wellies on for a winter walk around our playground and the KS2 playground to see signs of winter. We enjoyed walking through the snow to create our own footprints and listening to the crunching sound it makes.



Reception

This week, we have been comparing mass by identifying objects that are heavy and light and also exploring capacity with different materials such as water, sand, rice and beads.

We also went on a wintery walk around the school fields and had lots of fun in the snow!



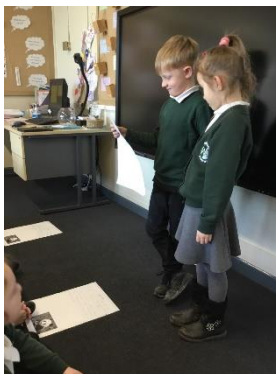
Year 1

Last week, we introduced our new topic 'The Toy Shop'. After discussing our modern toys, we then found out about toy shops from the past. The children had lots of fun exploring toys that were popular in the past such as the hoop and stick.



Year 2

As part of their China topic, Year 2 have had lots fun this week researching The Giant Panda. They used a variety of websites and QR codes to conduct their research and then presented their findings to the rest of the class.



Year 3

PSHE focus

In PSHE, we found about our human rights and what these mean to us. We then acted out each human right and guessed one another's actions!

Here are some of the actions we created before we played the guessing game!!



Year 4

We have been learning all about the water cycle in Geography as part of our topic on Rivers. Did you know that the water gets recycled in a system involving four very important processes? Year 4 worked hard to fully understand the concepts of evaporation, condensation, precipitation and collection. We used actions and drama to role play these tricky concepts before meeting Pearl the raindrop who shared her emotive journey through the whole cycle.



Year 5

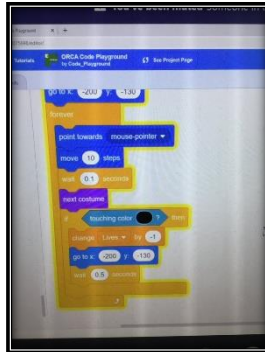
In science this week, we have been forensic scientists to try and solve the mystery of the bagel thief!! We used microscopes and chromatography to compare samples of hair, soil and ink as well as making comparisons of footprints and fingerprints. We are very excited for next week, to find out if we managed to catch the culprit.



Year 6

In Geography this week, we did some coding with conservation in mind. First we looked why the oceans are so important and then explored some of the issues that our oceans face. Plastic being the main one.

We then used laptops and iPads with the 'Scratch' website to create our game. We needed to use 'selection' and 'conditions' to help whales catch fish and avoid some hazards.



Art News

Focus on Year 6

Year 6 have been working extremely hard to cut out intricate self-portrait stencils, so they can spray-paint monochrome images of themselves in the style of Banksy. We also thought about personal slogans to express ourselves, because we thought about how Banksy always communicates something through his graffiti. Here are just a few!





We created such beautiful stencils as a by-product, that some of us thought we would re-use them to make a new “edition” of ourselves: a picture in its own right! It was interesting to see ourselves as a mirror image of the original.



Amazing work Year 6! It's fabulous to celebrate your individuality! 😊

Sport News

PE Focus – Dodgeball competition at Sir William Stanier School

The Year 5 & 6 children were selected to take part in a dodgeball competition. They played against other schools in a round robin tournament at Sir William Stanier School on Wednesday 18th January . They managed to win most of their matches and just lost once. Mr Barton and Miss Brown were so proud of the way all the children behaved and supported each other.



Skipping Company coming into school on the 26th & 27th January

- Please can all children bring in the PE kits for both days

Your child will have the
chance to try out skipping
with a skipping company on
the
27th & 28th January
2023



There will be a shop after school for
the children to buy skipping ropes in
the Irlam Hall. They will cost £4.80
and adults ones are £6.00

Sport Clubs News

This half term, clubs will run from Monday 9th January. 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 Netball 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.

Attendance Wk 09.01.23 – 13.01.23

Target 96%

Reception A – 95.7%

Reception B – 99% 😊

1A – 97.7%

1B – 97.7%

2A - 91.9%

2B – 96.2%



KS1 Attendance for last week - 96.4% 😊

Whole school attendance for the academic year – 94.4% 😞

Attendance Wk - 09.01.23 – 13.01.23

Target 96%

3A = 97.7%

3B = 98.4%

4A = 96.8%

4B = 94.3%

5A = 96.7%

5B = 98.8% 😊

6A = 98.1%

6B = 97.4%



KS2 for the week = 97.3% 😊

Whole school attendance for the academic year – 94.4% 😞

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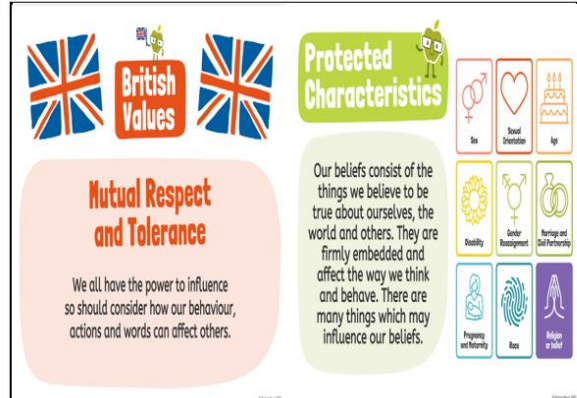





 **UN Rights of a Child** 

We all have the right to be protected from exploitation (being taken advantage of). Learning about social media and keeping safe online can help do this.

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PROTECTION FROM EXPLOITATION

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 **British Values**  **Protected Characteristics** 

Mutual Respect and Tolerance

We all have the power to influence so should consider how our behaviour, actions and words can affect others.

Our beliefs consist of the things we believe to be true about ourselves, the world and others. They are firmly embedded and affect the way we think and behave. There are many things which may influence our beliefs.

 Sex	 Social Orientation	 Age
 Disability	 Gender Reassignment	 Marriage and Civil Partnership
 Pregnancy and Maternity	 Race	 Religion or Belief

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