The Whartons' Newsletter

27thJune 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

The last half term in school is always so busy and packed full of exciting events and activities, this year is no exception.

We have already had a couple of class trips and there are more planned before the end of term. Our Whole School activity day was a great success, transition days will be underway over the next week or two which is always an exciting time, we have class assemblies and the Y6 Leavers' assembly to look forward to as well as Sports Day and Whartons Fest. What a busy few weeks ahead of us.



Assembly Themes

We have been thinking about Celebrating Differences in assemblies over the last week. Some of the Year 6 children who attended a cluster agenda day last year, reminded the children about the Family of Schools Equality and Diversity Charter. The Charter outlines how all the children across the family of school have committed to including all children, to never stereotype and embrace diversity. The children gave each class a copy of the charter for their rooms, to remind them of our school commitment.

Well done to our 'Best I Can Be' certificate winners who shared their work or great learning behaviours with the school in Friday Assemblies. Their work will be displayed on our writer and mathematician of the week display boards

Reception – The Whole ClassYear 1 – Charlie W-G, Ethan M, Freddie W & Mia BYear 2 – The Whole Class

Year 3 – Charlotte M, Noah R, Year 4 – Halle J, Thomas H, Imogen G, Kacey-Jayne C & Thomas B

Year 5 – Lilly T & Molly B Year 6 – The Whole Class

Golden Jime

Golden Time has really changed this half term because Y6 children are running the groups. The Y6 children have planned a range of clubs. There are energetic clubs such as drama, fitness and outdoor club. There are some relaxing clubs such as art, knitting and singing. Whatever you choose they are all great fun to go to.

Caitlin Y6



Multí-Cultural Workshops

On Tuesday the 18th, Nicky Wilce from Inspiration Tree came in to school to work with the Year 5s on building their awareness of multiculturalism. They looked at how symbols can mean many different things, for example a 'X' could be a Roman numeral, multiplication, or X marks the spot. They tried the idea that there is only one race – the human race and that prejudice is something that we all do is based on pre-judging someone based on their appearance or an idea we already have about them.

Seren, Thomas, Oliver M & Harry

On Thursday the 20th, Nicky came back in to work with the Year 6s on building their awareness of racism.

Mr Wilce asked them if they thought racism existed and what it was or wasn't. The children remembered the example of during football matches, people disliked having black players and were abusive and unfair to them, even if they played for their team and even if they scored a goal!

They discussed human rights, how racism has worked in societies and examples of unfair treatment, for example Rosa Parks. They also discussed the idea of discrimination not necessarily being always negative; sometimes it is positive discrimination.

Emma & Lea

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Year 4 Technology Morning

On Tuesday 18th June, Year 4 had an exciting technology morning hosted by PHGS. The morning was split into two parts; designing a PHGS blazer for the future and making a tomato basket to hold as many tomatoes as possible but carry them safely down a mountain.

The children had a real taste of product design, research and practical skills on the day and apart from a few dropped tomatoes we they all had a brilliant day.





Family of Schools Football Tournament

All KS2 classes, both boys and girls teams, took place in this year's annual Family of School's football tournament at Pool Primary School earlier this half term.

The tournament took place over the whole week, with teams from a different year group each night competing in a carousel of matches. The teams played several games across the evening so they had a chance to pit their skills against teams of the same age from each of the separate schools in our family i.e. Pool, Westgate, All Saints, Bramhope, St Josephs, Ashfield and The Whartons.

I had the privilege of accompanying the Y5/6 girls' team who played with passion and commitment. I know every teacher who went along with their team were extremely impressed with the exemplary behavior and enthusiasm. Well done to all The players.



Carnival

We had another amazing afternoon this year at the Otley Carnival on 15th June. The parent carnival working party, after talking to the children decided on the theme of learning through the ages. The walking float was divided up in to eras from history which match our houses in school. There were Egyptians, Vikings, Romans, Aztecs, Greeks and Saxons. The parents and children in school worked extremely hard making props to fit with each era. Year 6 created a 2 metre tall Aztec totem pole, After School

club children produced an amazing Saxon round house, and there was also an Egyptians pyramid and a Roman chariot. The crowning glory of the float was a Viking long ship which was constructed by Will and Ed's grandad. What a fabulous school community team effort. All the children dressed in historic costumes from their house era. The walking float was a spectacle to behold and took the overall winner award. The children were

presented with the Carnival shield to keep at school for a second year running. Thank you everyone involved and especially the hardworking parent team!





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Diary Dates

Friday 28th June-Summer Disco-6.15pm Monday 1st July-Yr5 PHGS **Experience Day** Yr 6 Road Safety Training Weds 3rd July-Reception Class Assembly-9.15am Fri 5th July-Sports Day-KS2 am- KS1 pm Mon 8th July-PTA Meeting 7.15pm Tues 9th July-Yr6 Bowling Weds 10th July-Yr2 Class Assembly-9.15am Weds 10th-Fri 12th- Yr6 PHGS **Induction Day** Fri 12th July-Whartonsfest-5pm-8pm Mon 15th July-Yr5 Tropical World Trip

Yr 2 Fire OF London Visitor

On Thursday 6th June, Year 2 had a 'Great Fire of London day'. A visitor from Forest Schools came to spend the day with them to help them to experience and recreate the Great Fire. After quizzing the children about what they already knew (which was an amazing amount of information!) the children started working on making model houses and churches out of empty boxes they had been saving for a while.

After lunch the children recreated Pudding Lane on the field then set it on fire!

It was a fantastic day enjoyed by all.



Year 1 Trip

Earlier this month Year 1 took their learning outdoors to Harlow Carr and what a day they had! From pond dipping to bug hunting, the children were treated to a fun filled day whilst developing their learning in science.

Representing our school, the children's behaviour was excellent and they showed such a high level of enthusiasm and enjoyment for all activities. Well done Year 1 and a huge thank you to our PTA who, as always, contributed £100 towards our costs for the trip.



Health Week Activity Morning

Although it was touch and go with the weather on Wednesday morning, and after a later start to give the equipment time to dry out, we managed to enjoy our Whole School trip day down at PHGS.

As last year, the Family of Schools had shared the cost of hiring Bradford Council's Play Development Unit for a week to benefit all the children in Otley. The project is designed to encourage children's wellbeing both physically and mentally through the promotion of exercise and fun in the outdoors.

The morning was a huge success and the children tried their skills at a range of physical activities from Bungee trampolining to go-karting and 'wipe out' challenge to inflatable obstacle courses.

All the children challenged themselves and had a fantastic time. We then returned to school for a picnic lunch and then a carousel of activities on the school field. What a fabulous day! Thanks to all our parent helpers and to the staff for organising a fun afternoon to finish off the day.





A final Note:

Make sure you buy your Whartons Fest tickets and keep your fingers crossed for good weather. _Jนโเล Dickson