

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

30.1.23



On behalf of everyone at Weston Infant and Junior Academies I would like to welcome you all back and to wish you a Happy New Year! The children have settled in extremely well and we are looking forward to the year ahead. I would like to introduce you to our new Weston newsletter which I am hoping to develop further as the year progresses. We will be sharing the learning that is taking place across the Weston Federation so that you can see what your child is learning in school each week. I hope that you like the new format and, as always, thank you for your support.

Mrs Birchall



The week ahead...

- Monday 30th January 2023 - Year 5 residential to Standon Bowers
- Tuesday 31st January 2023 - 'Stay and Play' session for pre-school children at Weston Infant Academy 9.30 - 11.00am
- Wednesday 1st February 2023 - Open Morning at Weston Infant Academy for parents whose children are starting Nursery or Reception in September 2023 - 9.30 - 11.00am
- Friday 3rd February 2023 - NSPCC Number Day across both schools



What are we learning?

At Weston Infant Academy...

Nursery are:

- reading the Monster Phonics book 'Twinkle Twinkle'
- learning the m, d, g and s phonemes
- learning to write and order the letters of our names
- matching numbers to their values
- learning about day and night

Reception are:

- learning m, d, g and oo phonemes
- reading 'Superworm' and writing about his adventures
- using minibeasts to represent the value of numbers 6, 7 and 8
- making minibeasts
- painting and designing their own minibeasts

I1 are

- learning the 3 different graphemes for the or phoneme - or, ore and aw
- writing instructions for how to make a cup and ball toy
- carrying out addition and subtraction using numbers up to 20
- creating a car with wheels, axles and axle holders

I2 and I3 are:

- learning about possessive apostrophes and adverbs
- learning the phonemes ow (brown owl) and ow (Miss Oh no), ue (cool blue) and ue (u hoo)
- making predictions in writing about Samson's Titanic adventure

What are we learning?

I2 and I3 continued:

- making a fact file about Samuel Pepys
- making a poster about E-safety
- choreographing their own dance routine using simple movements.

At Weston Junior Academy...

Year 3 are:

- reading chapters 2 and 3 of George's Marvellous Medicine (focusing on comprehension and vocabulary)
- looking at compound sentences
- multiplying a 2 digit and a 1 digit number
- looking at rocks in Science
- investigating land use in Geography
- learning about the Stone Age in History

Year 4 are:

- reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
- learning how to use prepositions
- using direct speech and reporting clauses in their writing
- calculating area by understanding what it is and by counting squares
- looking at the layers of the rainforest in Geography
- learning about the artist Henri Rousseau
- finding out about insulators and conductors in Science.

What are we learning?

Year 5 are:

- **writing a newspaper report based on Percy Jackson**
- **reading 'Girl of Ink and Stars' as their Guided Reading text**
- **learning how to subtract and multiply fractions**
- **learning about Vikings in History**
- **singing ballads in Music**
- **looking at why Christians believe that Jesus is the Messiah in R.E.**
- **visiting Standon Bowers on a 3 day residential**

Year 6 are:

- **carrying out persuasive writing based on Narnia**
- **practising the addition, subtraction, division and multiplication of fractions**
- **learning about different counties in Geography**
- **learning about World War II in History**
- **completing artwork for Holocaust Memorial Day**

If you are have any urgent queries then please remember to phone the school offices as classdojo messages may not be responded to immediately.

Just a polite reminder to always be courteous to others when on the school grounds and when parking. The parent code of conduct should be followed at all times.