

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

6.2.23



Welcome to the 2nd edition of our weekly newsletter. This week some more of our pupils will be going out on educational visits linked to their learning. I know that the year 5 pupils had a fabulous time at Standon Bowers last week. They were a bit tired when they returned to school as a result of all of the fun that they had while carrying out the outdoor activities! I am also hoping to purchase iPads for the year 1 and year 6 pupils in the coming weeks so that every pupil from year 1 to year 6 will have a one-to-one iPad to use in school to support their learning. We are looking forward to seeing the impact. - Mrs Birchall



The week ahead...

- Tuesday 7th February 2023 - Safer Internet Day - Pupils will be carrying out activities linked to staying safe online.
- Tuesday 7th February 2023 - 'Stay and Play' session for pre-school children at Weston Infant Academy 9.30 - 11.00am
- Wednesday 8th February 2023 - I1 (half of the class) visit to Cannock Chase Toy Museum.
- Thursday 9th February 2023 - I1 (half of the class) visit to Cannock Chase Toy Museum.
- Friday 10th February 2023 - Year 3 visit to a mosque as part of the R.E. curriculum.



What are we learning?

At Weston Infant Academy...

Nursery are:

- Learning the phoneme 'm'
- Singing the Nursery Rhyme, 'Here we go 'round the Mulberry Bush'
- Identifying numbers and carrying out sorting activities
- Looking at how to care for ourselves e.g. dressing, brushing teeth, hanging up clothes
- Having fun playing parachute games

Reception are:

- Learning the phonemes 'ee' and 'ow'
- Taking part in a range of activities themed around the Nursery Rhyme, 'Humpty Dumpty'
- Making pairs and identifying odd ones out
- Learning which two different numbers when added together make 8.
- Making papier mache eggs, painting, and using small world play - horses and the king's men.

I1 are

- Learning the phonemes 'au', 'air' and the prefix 'un' e.g. untie
- Retelling the story of 'The Stripy Horse'
- Carrying out addition and subtraction using numbers up to 20
- Looking at algorithms in computing
- Carrying out gymnastic movements in P.E.
- Visiting the Toy Museum at Cannock Chase

I2 and I3 are:

- Recapping on the phoneme 'dge'
- Recapping on 'ew' (Cool Blue/U-Hoo) and 'ie' for Yellow I and Green Froggy (Monster Phonics)
- Finishing reading 'Samson's Titanic Adventure' and recounting the final part of the story.

What are we learning?

I2 and I3 continued:

- **Carrying out addition and subtraction using numbers within 100**
- **Using abstract strategies for addition**
- **Using spreadsheets in computing**
- **Choreographing their own dances in P.E.**
- **Learning about the meals, clothes and cabins of the passengers on the Titanic**

At Weston Junior Academy...

Year 3 are:

- **Writing about George from 'George's Marvellous Medicine' using coordinating conjunctions**
- **Dividing a two-digit number by a one digit number**
- **Designing and creating Stone Age tools**
- **Visiting the mosque to support their learning in R.E.**
- **Sorting rocks by their type e.g. metamorphic, sedimentary, igneous.**

Year 4 are:

- **Continuing to read 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and looking at how to write speech and using apostrophes for contractions**
- **Looking at unit fractions and comparing fractions**
- **Comparing forests**
- **Learning about switches for electricity**
- **Learning about spreadsheets**

What are we learning?

Year 5 are:

- **Beginning a new book called, 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and thinking about the skills of prediction, inference and comprehension**
- **Multiplying fractions and looking at fractions of amounts**
- **Learning about air resistance**
- **Developing speed and agility in P.E.**
- **Learning about the different types of Viking weaponry**

Year 6 are:

- **Focusing on comprehension using the text, 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' and making comparisons between Aslan's sacrifice and Jesus' crucifixion**
- **Learning about adverbs and adverbial phrases, adjectives and expanded noun phrases**
- **Interpreting graphs and analysing data from bar charts**
- **Identifying U.K. cities from their physical features (mountains, rivers, compass points and maps)**
- **Beginning a new topic in History - 'The Stuarts History'**
- **Focusing on Spanish vocabulary for weekends**

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

Please remember that dogs are not allowed onto the school grounds at any time, for health and safety reasons.