

# PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

20.3.23



I hope that everyone had a lovely Mother's Day on Sunday and that you liked the daffodils that your children brought home on Friday. This week, 30 of our Weston Junior pupils are looking forward to going to Bolton Gate, to join in with a local Art project, which will then be displayed at Bolton Gate. It is lovely to be able to get involved in Community projects and we hope to be able to do more in the future. If you have pre-school children at home then don't forget that we run a weekly 'Stay and Play' session every Tuesday morning at Weston Infant Academy and we have had really lovely feedback from the people who attend.

Why not pop in and join us. We also have an Open Morning on Thursday 23rd March for pre-school parents.

Mrs Birchall

## The week ahead...

- Monday 20th March 2023 - Stoke City Penalty Shoot-Out presentation for pupils only at Weston Infants
- Monday 20th March 2023 - 30 Weston Juniors pupils at Bolton Gate - Art project
- Tuesday 21st March 2023 - Stoke City Penalty Shoot-Out presentation for pupils only at Weston Junior Academy
- Tuesday 21st March 2023 - 'Stay and Play' session for pre-school children at Weston Infant Academy 9.30 - 11.00am
- Wednesday 22nd March - Recorder Festival at the Victoria Hall at 12.30pm
- Thursday 23rd March 2023 - Open Morning at Weston Infant Academy for new to Nursery and Reception for September 2023



# What are we learning?

## At Weston Infant Academy...

### Nursery are:

- Learning the phonemes 'ck' and 'e'
- Reading 'The Train Ride' and looking at a story map of going on a journey
- Ordering numbered train carriages and counting values to 5
- Playing with small world play - transport themed
- Playing with boats in the water
- Building their own trains in the construction area using boxes and objects

### Reception are:

- Learning the phoneme 'oa' with the linked character Miss oh no
- Reading the story, 'Farmer Duck' and using digraphs that they have learned in their phonics in their writing and to write labels for things that they might see at the farm next week
- Looking at number bonds to 10 and the composition of numbers up to 10
- Playing with small world play that is farm themed, sorting animals into farm animals and non-farm animals, role-playing milking cows for finger strength
- Making a tractor using 2D shapes (recap) and junk modelling materials

### I1 are:

- Recapping the phonemes - a-e, e-e, i-e
- Writing their own 'This is my pet' book building on the descriptive skills that they have been learning previously
- Looking at the place values of numbers between 20 and 50
- Making the puppets that we have designed in 'Design and Technology'
- Focusing on Fitzy jumping skills in P.E.
- Focusing on Spring and seasonal change in Science

### I2 and I3 are:

- Learning that le, il, al, el all make the 'll' phoneme
- Writing Spring poetry and thinking about how to apply noun phrases and expanded noun phrases in their poems
- Continuing to learn about fractions of an amount or fractions of a shape and how to write a fraction to show what is represented
- Recapping on the different food groups
- Learning how we can make a spreadsheet automatically add for us

# What are we learning?

## **I2 and I3 continued:**

- Learning what a Christian is and what does a Christian believe?
- Learning different ways of jumping and how to jump down safely from a piece of apparatus in P.E.

## **At Weston Junior Academy...**

### **Year 3 are:**

- Focusing on comprehension skills while reading 'George's Marvellous Medicine'
- Thinking about adverbs such as 'carefully' in Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG)
- Measuring length using metres (m), centimetres (cm) and millimetres (mm) and comparing lengths
- Learning how to put the Spanish vocabulary that they have learned for different types of fruit into sentences
- Learning about the 5 main organs of the body (liver, heart, lungs, kidneys and brain)

### **Year 4 are:**

- Reading 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and focusing on apostrophes to show possession
- Adding and subtracting using fractions
- Coding using Logo in Computing
- Learning how to throw while playing cricket
- Looking at data analysis of rainfall when learning about the rainforests

# What are we learning?

## Year 5 are:

- Continuing to read 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and focusing on comprehension while reading Chapter 2
- Converting fractions into decimals and percentages
- Making a solution to saturation in Science
- Focusing on the vocabulary of habitats in Spanish
- Collecting information of spreadsheets in Computing
- Looking at a range of basketball passes in a game situations in P.E.

## Year 6 are:

- Reading Chapter 2 of 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone'
- Reading Chapter 15 of 'Letters from the Lighthouse' and answering questions relating to the vocabulary used
- Converting percentages into decimals and finding the percentages of given numbers
- Using 'Purple Mash' to create online quizzes
- Presenting the Easter story in writing in R.E.

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 the main school gates and the gates off Brookwood Drive will be open from 8.40am daily.

# Our 'Be Weston' Values

## Be Weston:

- Well-being and confidence
- Empathy and Respect
- Strength and Resilience
- Tolerance and Trust
- Openness and Honesty
- Neighbourhood and Community