

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

22.5.23



Dear Parents and Carers,

This is our final week before half-term and it looks like it is going to be a warm and sunny one. Please ensure that your child applies sun-cream before they come to school and if possible brings sun-cream with them to apply while at school, if needed. Also, please ensure that your child brings a water bottle and a sun-hat or cap to school to ensure that they stay hydrated and are sun-safe.

Year 3 will be visiting the Monkey Forest on Tuesday and again will need to ensure that they are wearing sun-cream. I am looking forward to seeing photos of their visit!

Enjoy the week ahead

Mrs Birchall



The week ahead...

- Monday 22nd May - KS1 SATs continue
- Tuesday 23rd May 2023 - Year 3 visit to the Monkey Forest
- Tuesday 23rd May 2023 - 'Stay and Play' 9.30 - 11.00am at Weston Infant Academy
- Tuesday 23rd May 2023 - 1.00pm - 3.00pm - Year 5 swimming - Weston Junior Academy



What are we learning?

At Weston Infant Academy...

Nursery are:

- Playing games with the Monster Phonics characters - Miss Oh No's dance class
- Sequencing the story of 'The Secret Path' and using their book skills
- Following the maze using positional language
- Using and arranging 2D shapes to make a butterfly
- Recycling and sorting materials and painting with string
- Making daffodil collages and playdough hedgehogs

Reception are:

- Learning the Tricky Witch trigraph 'ear'
- Creating book reviews of 'Percy the Park-keeper's One Spring Day'
- Comparing the story to the previous Nick Butterworth stories that we have read (One Snowy Night, After the Storm)
- Using positional language to identify where animals are (Hide and Seek)
- Blossom tree painting
- Looking at woodland animal habitats
- Making messy maps of the story setting

I1 are:

- Looking at the phonemes 'ie' (field), 'ea' (bread), 'ear' (beard)
- Retelling the story of 'The Lighthouse Keeper' using descriptive sentences
- Looking at doubles and sharing in Maths
- Looking at fractions - halves of shapes
- Looking at races and team races in P.E.
- Thinking about what the children can do now that they couldn't do previously
- Looking at plants over time in Science

I2 and I3 are:

- Looking at 'ar' in words such as war, warm
- Revisiting all of the features that we need to use to make an excellent sentence
- Adding more than two additions together
- Telling the time and reading scales

What are we learning?

I2 and I3 continued:

- **Looking at races and team races in P.E.**
- **Planting sunflowers and learning what they need to thrive**
- **Learning about African animals - what are they and what do they look like?**

At Weston Junior Academy...

Year 3 are:

- **Looking at the features of a non-chronological report**
- **Finding equivalent fractions**
- **Finding out about the Roman army and the tactics that they used**
- **Making Roman catapults in Design and Technology**
- **Visiting the Monkey Forest**

Year 4 are:

- **Using Show Not Tell to write about a tense chase scene from 'How to Train Your Dragon'**
- **Looking at money and the four mathematical operations**
- **Making an Anglo-Saxon brooch**
- **Designing an Anglo-Saxon village - complete with labels**

What are we learning?

Year 5 are:

- **Reading Chapters 6 and 7 of 'Kensuke's Kingdom'**
- **Writing a dialogue and a short character description**
- **Looking at coordinates in a 2 and 4 quadrant grid**
- **Looking at electrical conductors and insulators and the properties of materials in Science**
- **Performing the 'Fresh Prince of Bel-Air' with recorders and percussion in Music**

Year 6 are:

- **Reading Chapter 8 of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone**
- **Focusing on comprehension**
- **Problem-solving using money and looking at percentage change**
- **Looking at the circulatory system in Science and carrying out an experiment linked to exercise and the heart**
- **Looking at Catholics and Protestants in the Stuarts period of History**

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. The gates will close at the end of the school day. Pupils accessing after school clubs should be collected from the main school entrance, off Princess Drive.

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

Just a reminder that any holidays booked during term-time will not be authorised.