

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

3.6.24



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back following the half-term break. It has been lovely to see the half-term project work being brought into school by the children.

This week the pupils in Year 4 will be completing their multiplication checks and next week the pupils in year 1 will be completing their phonics screens, starting on 10th June. Please ensure that all children attend school. Information has been posted regarding the Father's Day breakfasts (Juniors) and afternoon teas (Infants) so please remember to send a message to your child's class teacher to confirm attendance.

Thank you - Mrs Birchall



The week ahead...

- Monday 3rd June 2024 - Multiplication Checks for year 4 pupils
- Monday 3rd June 2024 - Cricket Engagement Day - Juniors
- Wednesday 5th June 2024 - 'Stay and Play' at Weston Infant Academy
- Thursday 6th June 2024 - Stoke City Presentations - Juniors only
- Thursday 6th June 2024 - St Bart's Olympics Day at Abbey Hill - selected pupils
- Friday 7th June 2024 - Year 5 Swimming
- W/C 10th June 2024 - Phonics screens Year 1



What are we learning?

At Weston Infant Academy...

Nursery are:

- Thinking about the sounds around us
- Learning about rhyming words
- Exploring instruments (loud, quiet, fast, slow) and copying a beat
- Writing our own name
- Role-playing in the cafe
- Exploring numbers to 5 - counting and ordering
- Making shape pictures
- Looking at life-cycles
- Making patterns with natural materials - sand, petals, sticks

Reception are:

- Group 1 phonics - CVCC words and Group 2 phonics - Yellow 'lgh'
- Reading 'One Springy Day' and sequencing the story
- Writing independent sentences about the story
- Adding narrative while playing with the small world play
- Making tangram pictures
- Thinking about how many and which 2D shapes will fit a picture?
- Using numicon to fit squares
- Taking part in a dance afternoon
- Painting blossom trees
- Thinking about woodland animals and their habitats
- Building a shed for Percy

Year 1 are:

- Recapping the phonemes 'oa', 'oe', 'ou' and 'ow'
- Recapping all GPCs
- Reading 'Wombat Stew' and retelling the story
- Writing simple sentences, sequencing, predicting and creating their own stew
- Finding a quarter of shapes and finding quarters of quantities
- Designing an Aboriginal inspired boomerang, thinking about shape, space and pattern
- Continuing to create Aboriginal message sticks
- Recalling facts about Aboriginal people, where they live and naming differences
- Creating surrealist art using technology
- Exploring tools on 'e-collage' on Purple Mash to create own pictures

Year 2 are:

- Recapping 'w-or' which makes the 'er' sound e.g. 'work', 'word', 'world'
- Creating an information booklet for crocodiles including life-cycles, labelling, headings and sub-headings
- Using expanded noun phrases, conjunctions and punctuation (. ! ?)

What are we learning?

Year 2 continued:

- Learning about unit fractions and non-unit fractions
- Designing an Aboriginal inspired boomerang, thinking about shape, space and pattern
- Continuing to create Aboriginal message sticks
- Researching and naming a tribe and comparing their way of life to modern life
- Exploring tools on 'e-collage' on Purple Mash to create own pictures and learning how to add own images

At Weston Junior Academy...

J1 are:

- Looking at a new text type - non-chronological reports and thinking about their features and focusing on comprehension
- Learning about time - 5 minutes, and 1 minute intervals
- Sorting animal skeletons in Science
- Thinking about what feelings and emotions we have in PSHE
- Learning about Judaism in R.E. and the importance of the Sabbath

J2 and J3 are:

- Using colons to add extra detail
- Using brackets for explaining a character's true feelings
- Looking at angles as turns and identifying angles
- Looking at Anglo Saxon place names and their origins
- Carrying out digital photo editing and rotating and cropping in Computing
- Comparing the Jewish Bar/Bat Mitzvah to the Christian Holy Communion

What are we learning?

Year 5 are:

- Drafting and editing a newspaper report
- Learning about relative clauses and specific vocabulary
- Telling time tables
- Converting units of time
- Distance running in P.E.
- Learning the names of things necessary for animals to live
- An introduction to the solar system in Science
- In guided reading, reading Chapter 19 of the 'Girl of Ink and Stars'

Year 6 are:

- Writing a newspaper article about a theft from Gringott's bank
- Writing a setting description of Hagrid's Hut
- Looking at area and circumference of circles
- Learning how to say 'I'm tall' and 'I'm small' in Spanish and writing in character as Erik the Viking

If you are have any urgent queries then please remember to phone the school offices as class-doj messages may not be seen, especially when class teachers are teaching.

Our local residents are part of our Weston family. Please be courteous to them at all times when parking and do not block driveways or park on the zig zag lines outside of the school gates. Also please ensure that pupils are not entering driveways. Please remember that the Brookwood Drive entrance is also open at the Junior site.