


Newsletter



Spring Term 2025 - No.6 - Friday 14th February 2025

 Upcoming Events	
w/c 17th Feb Half Term	
w/c 17th Feb - WISPA Reading Challenge	
25th Feb	3:45pm - 6:45pm Parents Evening (Details emailed)
27th Feb	Bag2School Drop Off
27th Feb	3:45pm - 6:45pm Parents Evening (Details emailed)
5th Mar	9:10am Rabbit Class Assembly (parents invited)
6th Mar	World Book Day (Details emailed)
6th Mar	3:15pm - 4:00pm WISBar Golden Ticket Event (Details emailed)
w/c 10th Mar	Science Week
<u>10th Mar</u>	School Nursing Team Drop-in and Clinics
19th Mar	9:10am Mole Class Assembly (Parents invited)
<u>21st Mar</u>	WISPA Doughnut Day (Details to follow)
<u>1st Apr</u>	Chocolate Bingo 4:00pm-5:30pm 6:00 pm- 7:30pm (Details emailed)
<u>4th Apr</u>	3:15pm - Break up for Easter
<u>4th Apr</u>	3:30pm - 4:30pm WISPA Easter Hunt (Details to follow)
7th Apr - 21st Apr Easter Holiday	
7th Apr - 17th Apr SCL Holiday Club	

Dear Parents,

WIS has certainly ended this half term in a successful and exciting way with the various curriculum highlights and of course our Well-being Week activities throughout this final week. In addition to tasks, games and activities linked to kindness and keeping ourselves well, we also celebrated **Safer Internet Day** on Tuesday. There are more details overleaf but I must stress the importance of teaching our children (even those as young as ours!) about different ways they can stay safe online; in our technology driven world these are increasingly essential life skills. Other special wellbeing event highlights have included some buddy physical activities between Year 1 and Year 2 and the team captains at WJS and on Wednesday afternoon the WIS **School Councillors** acted as judges for the Westfields Has Talent Showcase at the Junior School—they were brilliant! On a less positive note, it was a shame that none of our parents dropped in to chat with a member of the **School Nursing Team** who visited on Monday. Despite this, they will be visiting again on the 10th March so if you do have any worries or concerns relating to any health or wellbeing matters, please do take advantage of this opportunity if you can, I think we are extremely lucky to be able to offer this.

In WISPA news, thank you for your support with our **Mufti Day** and **Disco** fundraisers today. I would also like to mention that a letter has been emailed regarding our exciting **Federation Chocolate Bingo** which will be hosted at the Juniors! Full details are in the letter but I wanted to highlight that we are hoping this will prove to be a popular event. As spaces are once again limited, please book your places from Monday 24th February if you wish to join in with this egg-cellent family event...

Looking ahead to next half term, we are all busy preparing to welcome parents to our **Spring Term Parents Evenings** when we return after half term (Tuesday and Thursday); thank you for making your appointments online, we hope this is an efficient and easy system. We all highly value this opportunity to share your children's successes and progress as well as discuss next steps and areas for development.

Finally, I wish you all a fantastic half term; be sure to take some time to **rest and relax** as well as make some memories - fingers crossed its dry and mild so we can all get out and about!

Kind regards,



Miss Jo Redman, Executive Headteacher

A few reminders...

- We are looking forward to the start of the second half of our Spring Term on **Monday 24th February** when we will welcome everyone back to school.
- Please be aware that attached with this week's newsletter is a timetable of '**Free and Low Cost Activities**' for families over the half term break, if you are looking for something to do, please take a look.
- Please also remember there will be **no Computing or Book clubs** on Tuesday 25th February 2025 and **no Drama or Cartoon Drawing clubs** on Thursday 27th February 2025 due to Parents Evenings.



Safer Internet Day 2025



On Tuesday all of the children participated in celebrating Safer Internet Day, learning all about how to stay safe online. We started the fun with a special assembly introducing this year's theme 'Too Good to be True!'

The children were introduced to what online scams are, what they look like and discussed ways people can try to 'trick' us online with offers that seem 'Too Good to be True!'

Following this, throughout the day the children listened to stories and scenarios and had to decide if they thought something was a scam or not. They also learnt what personal information was and what information is/is not okay to share with others online.

Year 1 took part in an e-safety Now Press Play immersive experience where the character clicked on a pop up and ended up being sucked into the computer game! They had to work out what was a scam or not to make it out of the game to get back home. Badger Class even took part in a national live Now Press Play session with over 70 other schools!

Each of our Year 2 classes even had the opportunity to visit Westfields Junior School to work with Year 5 and learn how to alter images and identify alterations. This supported their understanding that not everything you see online is real.

Throughout the day we all reminded ourselves about the important message of talking with a trusted adult if we have something pop up on our screen or we are worried about anything we see or hear online, whilst having fun!

Such a great extended curriculum opportunity with an important safety message. The UK Safer Internet Centre's '[Guide and Resources Parents and Carers](#)' page offers tips, advice, guides and resources to help keep your child safe online.

Miss Redmond, Computing Co-ordinator and Assistant Headteacher



WELLBEING WEEK

This week has been 'Well Being Week' and we have had some fun in our classes working hard to ensure we feel good about ourselves. We have enjoyed relaxing with colouring, yoga and mindfulness. We have also spread positivity to others by doing 'good deeds' for other people to improve the well being of others. Some examples have included opening doors, giving compliments and sharing smiles! As part of Wellbeing Week, on Thursday afternoon our KS1 children took part in exciting, fun physical activities with the WJS Team Captains!

A variety of games were played including 'Blob Tag' and 'Rock, Paper Scissors' with a twist! The children had great fun learning new active games to play whilst being led by the Year 6 children.

It was a great opportunity to promote being active and having fun whilst doing so!

Lorna Mallet, PSHE Co-ordinator & Mrs Anderson, PE Co-ordinator



WISPA NEWS...

We hope you have all received our Sponsored Reading Bingo letter ready for the half term holiday. If you require another copy it is available on the school's website under parent letters.



Please also don't forget our WISBAR Golden Ticket Event is on the 6th March 2025. Please [click here](#) to order your chocolate bars. The deadline for orders is 25th February.



SCL Provision & Discount Code...

Don't forget Eliot and his team will be running a 'spy themed' holiday club at our school next week if you need childcare...

Up & Coming School Holiday Clubs

February Half Term
17th - 21st February 2025

Back by popular demand, our SPY SCHOOL programme for February Half Term. Kids can enjoy:

- Spy ID badges
- Laser Beam Escape
- Flag printing
- Match the Footprint
- Sign Language Learning
- and much more!

15 Venues Running

YOUR LOCAL VENUES...

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LET'S CELEBRATE...

The final week of this half term has continued to be busy and successful in terms of learning across the curriculum so as ever, in our Celebration Assembly (as well as in our Reception classes) today, I had the privilege of presenting our Learning Superstars with certificates for demonstrating various exceptional learning behaviours (copies are on display in the entrance area). Congratulations to you all, you are WIS Superstars:

Year R: Isla Malcolm, Lettie-Mae Hoile and Elijah Harding

Year 1: Matilda Gilham-Stafford, Hugo Jones and Eleanor Jones

Year 2: Max Mitchell, Callum Brooks and Beau Coggan

Out of School Achievements

Congratulations to **Sebastian Hawkes** who received his Duckling Level 3 Certificate and Badge for swimming and Star of the Week at his Ninja Knights gymnastics club.

Attendance Awards

This week's attendance winners are...

Rabbit Class,

Woodpecker Class and

Mole Class

... with 96%.

Well done to you all! Let's hope for some more 100% scores next half term!