

Wardley CE Primary School

'With God's love we enjoy and excel' Newsletter

Spring Term Dates

March

18.03.24: Parents' evening from 3.20 – 6pm. 19.03.24: EYFS Farm visit to school. 20.03.24: B-Tales Easter drama for the KS2 junior classes. 21.03.24: Y4 Ukulele Concert: 9am in the school hall. 25.03.24: Deadline for submission in school of British Science Week posters. 25.03.24: Parents' evening from 3.20 - 6pm. 25.03.24: Community Easter cards brought into school. 26.03.24: Nursery class Easter songs – 2.40pm. 27.03.24: Y1 class Easter songs - 9am. 27.03.24: Reception class Easter songs – 2.40pm. 28.03.24: Y2 trip to The Lowry 28.03.24: Easter Service (Y3 – Y6) at All Saints Church - 10am. 28.03.24: School closes for the Easter holiday. April 15.04.24: School starts again after the Easter holiday.

15.03.2024

In school this week we celebrated British Science Week and the International Day of Maths. The children have enjoyed looking at the links that science and maths can have to the real world as part of International Maths Day and the possible career paths it can open up. There has also been lots of exciting science and maths activities going on around the school. One of these activities was to design a maths game and the children had some fantastic ideas. The children voted on a winning game from each class and we awarded a special maths prize to the children who designed them. You can see their winning game designs on the school website. We also had a very enjoyable competition to see which of our upper junior children could recite the longest sequence of digits from Pi. Well done to all the children who took part in this difficult challenge. The joint winners were Charlie from Y5 and Deborah from Y6 who both managed to correctly recite Pi to 33 digits!

In the classroom this week

On Tuesday, our Y6 class went on a trip to Crucial Crew. The purpose of the visit was to develop their knowledge and understanding of personal safety and the event certainly succeeded in its goal. The children participated in workshops led by British Transport Police, Community Police Officers, Scientists who taught them about carbon monoxide and how to spot it around the home and the Outreach team who taught them about the dangers of vaping. This was an extremely informative event and one that was very beneficial to our Y6 children in preparing them for the future.

Weekly Updates... Sporting Success. Last Friday, a group of girls from Y5 and Y6 took part in a football tournament against other local primary schools. The competition had been sponsored by the Football Association and was aimed at encouraging more girls to play the game. As a result, there was a great atmosphere in all the matches with the focus firmly on taking part and enjoying the games. Well done to all the girls who represented our school so well and many thanks to all the parents & carers who came to cheer them on; and to the team coaches – Mr. D. Foster and Mr Houston.

Red Nose Day

A huge thank you for all your support for our Red Nose Day fundraiser this year. The children really got behind the event and we had some fantastic red nose day tee-shirts on display in school today. In the classrooms, the children had lots of fun doing a range of red nose day activities. Take a look at the school website to see some of the pupils and staff in their Red Nose t-shirts.

Y4 Ukulele Concert

Our Y4 class have been learning how to play the Ukulele in their music lessons this year. Each week a tutor from the Salford Music and Performing Arts Service has been coming into school to work with the class. We are delighted with their progress and we are very pleased that they are able to put on another short concert for the Y4 parents & carers. This will take place on Thursday 21st March at 9am in the school hall. Y4 parents & carers are very welcome to attend. Entrance into the hall will be through the hall side doors.

British Science Competition

The children have been invited to submit their entries for the national British Science competition. All the posters that the children bring into school will be sent off to the competition. The deadline for handing the science posters in is Monday 25th March.

Safeguarding Update – Youtube Shorts

You should be over 13 to post videos on YouTube. YouTube Shorts are short videos which are similar in format to videos you find on TikTok or Instagram Reels. 'Shorts' are available to watch on the YouTube homepage or on the Shorts tab in the app. As they are quick to watch, they can be addictive and lead to excessive screen time. If your child is watching these videos, ensure they know that there is a report button. The INEQUE Safeguarding Group discuss this feature in more detail here: https://ineqe.com/2021/07/01/youtube-shorts-need-to-know/

Reminders from the office

- Parents' Evening appointments are now closed on the School Spider App, if you haven't already made an appointment and would like to contact the office
- > Raffle tickets for the Easter Raffle are now on sale on the School Spider App

Our Christian values and thoughtful time

Easter Celebrations & Cards

The junior classes (Y3 – Y6) will all be attending an Easter Service led by Father Jeremy and our Y6 senior pupils at All Saints Church on Thursday 28th March at 10am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. Our EYFS and Y1 children will be putting on their own short Easter shows in the school hall for their parents and carers to attend. The Nursery class will have their Easter show on Tuesday 27th March at 2.40pm, the Y1 class will have their show on Wednesday 28th March at 9am and the Reception class will have their show on the same day at 2.40pm.

As part of these Easter celebrations, we are also inviting all the children to make an Easter card at home, and bring it into school on Monday 26th March. These cards will then be collected by Father Jeremy to distribute to members of the local community. The Easter cards should have the message along the lines of 'Wishing You A Happy Easter from Wardley CE Primary School' inside.

Finally, we will be holding an Easter egg raffle in school on the last day of term – Thursday 28th March. All the money that we raise from the raffle will go towards purchasing new resources for the school. If anyone would like to donate a small prize, such as an Easter egg, to the raffle please send it into school by Thursday 28th March. The raffle tickets can be bought via the School Spider App or by bringing money into school to give to the class teacher. The price is £1 per raffle tickets.

Collective Worship Theme – Lent

This half-term in our collective worship we continued to explore the theme of Lent by giving the children the opportunity to think and reflect upon the school and local communities that they are part of. This week we looked at the importance of our families and thought about how they help us and how we could help them.

Courageous Advocates

We had two of our junior children taking on the role of a courageous advocate this week. This means they had the courage to stand up in-front of the school and speak out on an issue that they feel strongly about. They both did a brilliant job and we listened to their thoughts about health and racism. Well done Danielle and Amelia – you were fantastic!

Our courageous advocacy is a real strength of the school and was recognised in our SIAMS report last year. It has led to our children being involved in some wonderful work in our local community – working with the Wardley Gardeners and writing to the council about littering and the provision of litter bins in our local area.