



# Wardley CE Primary School

'With God's love we can do all things'

## Newsletter

### Spring Term Dates

#### March

- 18.03.25: Y6 class visit to Crucial Crew.
- 19.03.25: Y2 Class Reward Day.
- 20.03.25: Courageous advocates in collective worship.
- 20.03.25: School development football team game at St Marys.
- 21.03.25: Red Nose Day celebrated in school – non-uniform day.
- 24.03.25: Parents' evening from 3.20 – 6pm.
- 24.03.25: Deadline for the British Science Week posters.
- 26.03.25: School football team league game at Moorside.
- 27.03.25: School development football team game at St Marys.
- 31.03.25: Community Easter cards brought into school.
- 31.03.25: Parents' evening from 3.30 – 6pm.

#### April

- 01.04.25: KS2 Easter Service at All Saints Church at 10am.
- 02.04.25: B-Tales Easter drama for the children in school.
- 02.04.25: School football team league game at Moorside.
- 04.04.25: Non-uniform fundraising day for the school fund.
- 04.04.25: Mr Foster's last day as headteacher at Wardley.
- 04.04.25: School closes for the Easter holiday.
- 22.04.25: School starts again after the Easter holiday.

14.03.2025

The end of my time as headteacher at Wardley is fast approaching. The school's governing board, with the support of the Local Authority and Diocese, have been working on the arrangements for appointing my successor. The post has now been advertised and they are aiming to have a new headteacher in place for September 2025. This means that Mrs Walker, our deputy headteacher, will be taking on the position of acting headteacher over the coming summer term. In order for her to fully focus on the role she will be released from her Y6 teaching role. The Y6 class will be taught by Mr D Foster and a newly appointed Y6 teacher (details to follow, when this appointment has been confirmed). Mrs Walker will continue to oversee the Y6 class during the summer term and will be there for them during the build up to SATS and in the test week itself. She has the full backing of the governing board and the staff team and I am sure that she will be hugely successful in her new role.

### In the classrooms this week ..... Fire Service Visits Year 5

On Wednesday of this week, Year 5 were lucky to have some scheduled visitors - the Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service. Thankfully, they weren't called into action during their time with us. Four firefighters talked the children through their invaluable role in keeping our community safe, fire safety action plans, their protective equipment and finally, they demonstrated some of the kit at their disposal. There are lots on images from the afternoon on the Year 5 class blog. For more information on fire safety, please visit [manchesterfire.gov.uk](http://manchesterfire.gov.uk) or [staywise.co.uk](http://staywise.co.uk)

### Weekly Updates... Sporting Success - Wardley CE Primary School v Bridgewater School

On Wednesday of this week, Bridgewater were kind enough to host a boy's football match on their 4G pitch. The game was played in the right manner and was definitely not short on skill. The boys worked together as a team and created so many chances. We ended up winning 9-2 with Ben scoring 7 goals and Ralph scoring 2. Well done to everyone who represented our school so well.

## **International Maths Day**

In school this week, we celebrated the International Day of Maths. The children have enjoyed looking at the links that 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 maths activities going on around the school. One of these activities was to design a maths pattern and the children had some fantastic ideas. The children voted on a winning design from each class and, on Monday, we will be awarding a special maths prize to the children who designed them. 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 winner was Charlie from Y6 who managed to correctly recite Pi to an incredible 101 digits! In second place was Anna from Y5 who managed to recite 62 digits and in third was Alexis from Y5 who got to 37 digits.

## **F.A. Let Girls Play Day**

Last Friday we told you about the upcoming FA Let Girls Play tournament. The afternoon was a huge success. Over 150 girls from schools across Salford played in mini tournaments at Salford Sports Village. Our team had lots of fun; they learned a lot about the game, positions and teamwork. The focus was about promoting the game of football and that certainly was achieved. There will be many more games of football to be played over the coming months. For the record we played three games winning two and drawing one. Well done to everyone who represented our school so well.

## **Red Nose Day**

We will be supporting Red Nose Day again this year with a fund-raising non-uniform day on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March for this good cause. The children can come to school in their own clothes – these can be linked to the theme of red nose day and the colour red if they want to. In return, we are asking for a donation of £1 which can be given on-line via the School Spider

## **Parent Governor Election**

Thank you to everyone who took part in our recent parent governor election. The outcome saw Miss Leadeatt being appointed to the role of parent governor on our governing board. We would like to welcome her into the post and look forward to working with her to help support our pupils and the wider school community.

## **Spring Term Parents' Evenings**

The spring term parent evening appointments give you a great opportunity to talk to your child's teacher and look at the children's work. Our spring term parents' evenings will be held in school and are set to run over two Monday evenings - 24<sup>th</sup> March and 31<sup>st</sup> March. Each parent evening slot will be ten minutes long. The parent evening times can be booked through our online system, simply log on and choose which of the available slots you would like to attend.

## **Gold Award**

Well done to Oscar S in Y4 who, this week, became the first child this year to be awarded a gold award for following the values of the Wardley Way! He should all be very proud of his achievement and he is now working towards his diamond award. We look forward to seeing who the next children to get the gold award will be.

## **Y2 Class Reward Day**

Well done to our Y2 children who have managed to fill their marble jar. They can look forward to their special class reward day next week on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March. A separate letter will go out to the Y2 parents & carers about this.

## **Reminders from the office .....**

- It will be week 2 on the dinner menu next week
- Dinner money next week is £10.50 please pay on Monday morning

## **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 Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 10am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

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 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

### **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 friends and thought about what makes a good friendship work.

### **Courageous Advocates**

Each term, we give the infant and junior children (who want to) the chance to take on the role of being a courageous advocate in our Collective Worship. Being a courageous advocate means that they take on the role of speaking to the rest of the school on a subject that they feel strongly about. They can either speak to the school by themselves or as part of a group. The date for this half-term's courageous advocate's assembly is Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Home Worship Books**

We had lots of children bringing in their home worship books to share in school this week. It was lovely to see so many children bringing their books to share with everyone. There were thoughts on lots of different subjects including the Christian value of peace that we have been looking at in our collective worship last half-term. This week, Sammy was given to Olivia in Y3 for her fantastic posters – well done!