

# Wheelwright Lane News



29th November 2022

## Headteacher Weekly Update

This week the children will be starting to rehearse for their Christmas performances. It is busy time of year in school and we are starting to feel the festive season.

In other news, the children and staff have worked hard over the last 8 weeks to embed our new 5 learning behaviours. Each week we celebrate children who have been demonstrating our learning behaviours in our Friday assembly. In addition to this we have been working with a company to design 5 learning behavior characters that demonstrate being brave, showing resilience, being determined, being collaborative and showing curiosity. The children have played a key role in contributing to the designs and we are extremely proud of our final characters.

The children's next task is to decide on character names... we are hoping to reveal our school learning behavior characters before Christmas so do tune in each week to our newsletter.

### Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need this year, we managed to raise an incredible £304.42.

## Miss Rutherford's quote of the week!

Each week I will be sharing, with the children, an inspiration quote which they can reflect on throughout the week. Here is this week's quote from W.B Yeats who was an Irish poet, writer and significant figures in the world of Literature:

*“Education is not the filling of a pail but the lighting of a fire” – William Butler Yeats.*

## It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!



A huge thank you to Mrs Hull and Mrs Frith who came into our school this morning to create our festive entrance. I have it on good authority that a special visitor will be joining the school on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December!

## Uniform reminder.

Just a gentle reminder that the children must wear full school uniform each day. This consists of a white polo shirt, blue WWL jumper, black or grey trousers and knee length skirts. We would also encourage tights to be worn under skirts as the weather is starting to turn much cooler. Stud earrings may be worn but we discourage other forms of jewellery as they get easily damaged or lost in school and this causes significant upset to children and parents. Please also note that make up, nail varnish and nail acrylics are also not part of the Wheelwright Lane School Uniform Policy.

School Uniform is an important part of school life. It brings our children together as one 'family' and ensures that children have a sense of belonging to our school and its values. When the children enter school, they bring a sense of pride in the uniform they wear and, in our learning, behaviours. It is also good preparation for secondary school and for future work where uniform and dress code will be a compulsory aspect.

If you are finding it difficult to purchase a school uniform please do visit our school office and enquire about free uniform. We have lots of spare uniform in excellent condition which we are happy to offer. We want uniform to be accessible to all children without onerous costs to parents.



## Diary Dates to Remember!

2.12.22	Christmas Jumper day and bring a bottle (any bottle) for our Christmas raffle
7.12.22	School Christmas Lunch  EYFS Christmas Walk through 2:30pm
8.12.22	EYFS Christmas Walk through 2:30pm
9.12.2022	PA Christmas Fair
12.12.2022	Year 1,2,3 Dress Rehearsal ( <b>Grandparents welcome</b> – no tickets required) – 1.30pm
12.12.2022	Year 4,5,6 Carol Service St Giles. 4pm
13.12.2022	Christmas Play 1.30pm – yrs 1,2,3
14.12.2022	Christmas Play 1.45pm – yrs 1,2,3
14.12.2022	R, 1, 2 Warwick Arts Centre Stickman
15.12.2022	Nursery Warwick Arts Centre Stickman  Year 4,5,6 Carol Service St Giles. 4pm
16.12.2022	Break up for Christmas

## Christmas Performances



Please look out for our Christmas performance letters which will be distributed this week. The lower phase (year 1,2,3) and Upper phase (year 4,5,6) performances will require tickets. Please complete the ticket request form and return to the school office.

EYFS (Reception and Nursery) will not require tickets, please make your attendance known to the staff in the setting.

## Christmas Jumper Day and bring a bottle!



This Friday we are celebrating our very own Christmas Jumper Day. We ask that children bring with them a bottle for the Christmas raffle and hamper and wear their Christmas jumper. This can be a bottle of anything you like for example, bubble bath, sauces or wine! The raffle draw will take place during the Christmas Fayre on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Please make sure your child wears their school trousers or skirts with school shoes along with their Christmas jumper.

## Class Assembly Award

Congratulations to year 4 who achieved our Best Class in Assembly trophy. They have been consistently calm and polite in assembly and demonstrating our Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair motto.

## Attendance Updates

Please see our additional autumn half term attendance newsletter (on the school website). This, provides further details regarding our attendance figures for last half term

Remember school opens at 8:45am and lessons start at 8:55am

Our school attendance target is **96%**

This week our attendance was **92.99%**.



## Class Attendance

Reception	88.67%
Year 1	88%
Year 2	98.15%
Year 3	93.87%
Year 4	98.06%
Year 5	89.69%
Year 6	94.85%

Well done year 2 and year 6 for reaching our whole school target! Year 2 have won the attendance trophy again this week for the best attendance!



## Learning at WWL

### **Year 1**

Mimi showed great resilience when she was cutting slits in card to make a loom. She found it quite challenging but didn't give up

Jaxon was determined to do his very best with his paper weaving. He was also a very patient helper for some of his friends who were finding the weaving job quite tricky.



### **Year 2**

Henry showed our being brave learning behaviour during the class re-enactment of Scutari hospital for their Florence Nightingale topic



James has been showing our brave learning behaviour this week. Trying a small ensemble performance ready for Nativity. Beautiful singing and giving a solo performance!

### **Year 3:**

Ethan has been very curious in science. He has enjoyed learning and taking part in his class experiment and investigating the plant growth

Zahra shows great determination in class, she settles down and is ready to start her learning every day independently



### **Year 4:**

Billy has been curious in every single lesson. He always asks questions to further his learning and often goes home and finds out the answers himself!

Issy has been so determined with her spelling. She has been spotting words with the same spelling rules in her own writing and is always determined to spell them correctly. Well done Issy!



### **Year 5:**

Shekinah showed super collaborative skills in our drama lesson this week. She worked well with her group to ensure all knew what they were doing, while she listened to their views as well.

Lilly-Ann displayed bravery in our drama lesson this week. Despite this being a little out of your comfort zone, you stood up and rose to the challenge!



### **Year 6:**

Radhika showed great determination this week. Her group were asked to read a massive 80 pages... Radhika read it all in one night!

Kian has been very determined this week by working on his regulation and collaborating with others.

## **Learning Behaviours Assembly**

A special shout out to the children who received a Headteacher certificate in assembly for demonstrating our new learning behaviours.

Year 1	Mimi	Jaxon
Year 2	James	Henry
Year 3	Zahra	Ethan
Year 4	Issy	Billy
Year 5	Shekinah	Lily Ann
Year 6	Radhika	Kian

Best Wishes

*Miss Rutherford*

Headteacher.



*Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair*

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