



A Note from the Headteacher

This week we have introduced our focus school value for this half term, Respect. Children have discussed what it means and why it is so important. In addition to showing respect for themselves and others, they also considered how to show respect for property and belongings.

Here are some of the children's thoughts:

Year 1 - "We are all different and children should not be mean to those who look different. The earth is big enough for all kinds of people. We should show respect to all kinds of people and treat them fairly and with kindness. We should care about the world."

Lily, Year 6 - "If you respect someone's opinion, you care about what they are saying."

Ben, Year 6, considered school uniform - "It shows that you're part of the school, visitors can see you in your uniform and you're representing the school."



Democracy Day

Our children really enjoyed dressing in British colours for Democracy Day and learning about the democratic process. They were able to link it to some of our school values and decided that it is always important to be fair and listen to everyone.

Year 1 and Year 6 really enjoyed selecting all of their representatives. Year 6 children who wished to be considered for the very special 'Ambassador' role wrote a letter to Mrs Bennett explaining why they wished to apply and the skills that they would bring to the role. (It is rumoured that Mrs Bennett needed a tissue to dab away the odd tear as she was so moved by their passion and eloquence.)



Reception Class

It has been lovely to start getting to know our new Reception children. They seem to have settled in really quickly and have even managed full days, including lunch in the Hall. From next week, Monday 20th September, Reception class will start and finish at the same time as the rest of the school, arriving between 8:40 and 8:50am and leaving at 3:15pm. Parents be warned, they will be tired and possibly a little cranky by Friday!

A couple of parents have been asking about Year 5 Buddies for the Reception children. We have explained to the children that we wanted to have a cautious start to the new year and therefore have kept the phases apart to begin with in order to restrict any possible COVID-19 transmission. Staff are currently allocating Buddies and they will have an opportunity to play together outside shortly.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

As we did not know what the impact of COVID-19 would be on our attendance and staffing at the start of the year, we made the decision to delay the start of extra-curricular clubs for at least the first few weeks. If nothing changes, staff will now start contacting club providers over the next week or so, and as soon as we have completed the usual vetting process, we will send a list out to parents and carers.

Allergies

We would like to remind parents that snacks, lunch boxes and hand creams/lip balms **MUST ALL BE NUT-FREE**. We have a number pupils and staff with allergies. Thank you.

Parent-Teacher Meetings

A reminder that parent-teacher appointments for Years 1 to 6 may be booked via the school office. Times range from 9:00am until 4:30pm. If you haven't already booked, please phone the office or pop in. Please remember to state whether you would like a phone call or a meeting in school.

Fundraising

We were very proud to hear that Kira has continued her fundraising efforts by taking part in a swimathon with her family. They completed 5k in 1:10 minutes and Kira contributed by swimming 900 metres! So far Kira has raised £100 for Cancer Research and Marie Curie but would like to raise more. If you would like to donate please click on this [link](#).

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The PTA is hosting a coffee morning, on Friday 24th September 9.00am - 10.30am, to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Please sign in and out at the front lobby. Thank you.

Volunteer Helpers

Several parents/grandparents have kindly offered to help in school. This year we will be specifically focussing on 'Reading Angels' and 'Friends of Forest School'. A letter will be sent out next week with details of requirements, timings and how to apply to be a volunteer.

In Other News

Chartwells have a variety of vacancies in the local area. Please see the attached flyer if you are interested.



Stay up to date with all the latest news, and this week's cake raffle winner, on our Twitter page: [@WisGreenPrimary](#)

<u>HOUSE POINTS</u>	
YELLOW	- 93
RED	- 84
GREEN	- 106
BLUE	- 122

Diary Dates

September

Thursday 23rd: Y6 Parent Teacher Meetings
Friday 24th: Y4/Y5 Parent Teacher Meetings
MacMillan Coffee Morning (PTA)
Monday 27th: Y1/Y3 Parent Teacher Meetings
Tuesday 28th PM: Y2 Parent Teacher Meetings
Wednesday 29th AM: Y2 Parent Teacher Meetings

October

Tuesday 5th: Prospective Parents Tour
Wednesday 6th: Prospective Parents Tour
Tuesday 12th: Prospective Parents Tour
Wednesday 20th: Y1 & Y2 WonderDome Day