

Wisborough Green Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



Focus Valve
for this half
term:
Positivity

Friday 30th September 2022

A Note from the Headteacher

To embed our value of positivity, we invited Ryan Raghuo, a successful Paralympian, to Wisborough Green to talk to the children about his journey from disability and adversity to world class success in sport. As well as sharing his belief that positivity can help you to achieve beyond your dreams, he inspired the children to push themselves in a range of physical activities, believing that they can do it even when things are tough. The children demonstrated excellent behaviour and empathy throughout the day and asked sensible, well considered questions to further their understanding.



Home Learning

Every class from Years 1 to 6 will have been provided with home learning this week. Some classes may have already started to receive some of their activities before now. Please support your child to attempt the tasks provided, remembering to include daily reading whenever possible. Parental support is vital for your child's progress and it really does make a difference when you engage with your child's learning in a positive, encouraging way. If you have any problems accessing home learning through Google Classroom, please contact the office straightaway. We have also attached some home learning tips for parents to ensure that your child has every opportunity to succeed.

Music Lessons

Is your child interested in learning to play a musical instrument? If so, we are pleased to announce the return of individual music lessons to Wisborough Green. Lessons are provided by West Sussex Music, who offer lessons suitable for children at all levels and across a range of instruments - from complete beginners to those who are already seasoned experts looking to broaden their range. Benefits of music include supporting and developing creativity, memory, confidence, social skills and much more. Short sessions take place during lesson time but every effort is made to rotate times to ensure that the same curriculum area is not missed each week. Please [click here](#) for prices, bookings and further information.



Every child should now regularly bring home a book from school to continue reading daily at home. These will either be colour banded as they continue to learn to decode, blend and understand text or unbanded ('rainbow') books chosen independently by confident and fluent readers. Please make time most days for your child to read with you or for you to read to them, in order to develop their love of reading and engagement with a wide range of texts, authors and vocabulary. Please find attached guidance on how to get the best out of reading with your child.

Today, Year 5 had their first Buddy Reading session with Reception. It was lovely to see the older children supporting their buddies so well.



Democracy Day

Today all the positions were confirmed and badges given out (Years 1 and 2 will receive theirs on Monday). Congratulations to everyone but especially to Year 6 who will lead in a range of areas across the school.



Next Week

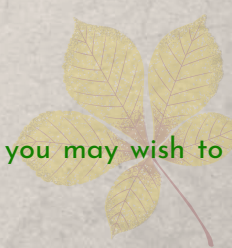
Next week is looking extremely exciting with lots of additional learning experiences planned for our children! On Monday, the **Fire Service** will be visiting Reception and Years 2 and 5 to talk about fire safety. On Wednesday, Years 1, 2 and 3 are taking part in a topic-related **drama workshop** and some of our Year 5 and 6 talented athletes will be attending a sports festival at the Weald. Thursday is **National Poetry Day**, with Reception focussing on familiar nursery rhymes. On Friday, Year 5 will be extending their understanding of democracy with a visit from **Mr Gareth Evans, a Local Councillor**. Our West Sussex Link Advisor will also be visiting on Friday to see our amazing school and chat to children, staff and governors about our progress and priorities.

Significant Dates

During the last two years the pandemic often prevented whole school family events from taking place or meant that we were organising them with quite short notice. As this year appears to be a return to usual practice, we wanted to inform you of some of our key dates well in advance:

- Thursday 20th October pm Harvest Celebration at St Peter ad Vincula Church
- Friday 18th November Year 3/4 visit to Fishbourne Roman Palace
- Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December KS1/Reception Nativity performances
- Thursday 25th May 2023 Sports Day (whole school)

Further information will be sent for each of these events nearer the time but we appreciate that you may wish to add the dates to your diaries now.



Diary Dates - October

Monday 3rd: West Sussex Fire & Rescue Visit
Tuesday 4th: PTA AGM @ 7.00pm
Wednesday 5th: Y1, 2 & 3 Drama Workshop
Wednesday 5th: Y5 & 6 Talented Athletes @ The Weald
Thursday 6th: National Poetry Day
Friday 7th: Y5 Local Councillor Visit
Monday 10th: Bonfire Night Ticket Sales Open to Parents
Wednesday 12th: Y1 Grandparents Day
Friday 14th: Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 19th: YR 6-Week-In Parent Meeting @ 9.15am
Thursday 20th: Harvest Festival at Church @ 1.15pm
Friday 21st: INSET Day
Monday 24th - Friday 28th: October Half Term

November

Tuesday 1st: Individual School Photos
Friday 4th: PTA Bonfire Night

Local Upcoming Funerals

We have been informed that there are two funerals taking place in Wisborough Green, which will affect school pick up time parking. Please make a note of the following dates and make appropriate plans for the 3.15pm pick up:

- Friday 7th October at 2.30pm
- Thursday 13th October at 2.30pm

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

