

# Wisborough Green Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 19th May 2023



Focus Value for  
this half term:  
Creativity



### Maths

To maintain the high profile of maths in school, we will be holding a Maths Day next Wednesday 24th May. The theme is 'real life' and children of all classes will spend the day learning about how we use maths in our everyday lives. This may include shopping, measuring, planning journeys or timing sections of music. Children will also have an opportunity to reacquaint themselves with Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) or Numbots. We have managed to get back up to 8th place on the TTRS local area leaderboard with a mean studio speed (seconds per question) of 3.43 but would like to be even higher! Please keep encouraging your child to practise at home.

### 'Tell Me More' About Maths

Following the success of our first 'Tell Me More' meeting last term, we are pleased to announce that our next session will take place on **Wednesday 7th June at 2:15pm**. This time we will be focussing on the teaching and learning of primary maths, including an explanation of 'mastery maths' and our work with the Sussex Maths Hub. Several parents have commented that this can be a difficult area to support at home as teaching methods appear to have changed over the years. Please join us for maths and refreshments to find out more about maths at Wisborough Green.

### Wey & Arun Canal

This week, Years 5 and 6 received a visit from a member of the Wey and Arun Canal Trust, a registered charity that aims to restore the 23-mile abandoned canal which runs through Surrey and Sussex. The Trust was formed in 1973 and will be celebrating its 50-year anniversary in 2023! The children learnt all about the canal, supporting their study over time tracing how aspects of national history are reflected in their locality.



### Warmer Weather

Now that the weather is finally improving, we would like to ask parents to remember to send their children in with a **sun hat, and pre-applied sun cream**. Unfortunately, we cannot apply sun cream to your child at school. Please also note that sunglasses are not permitted at school, due to safety reasons. Thank you.

Do you struggle to get your child to read at home? If you have a 'reluctant reader', do consider using comics or magazines to encourage them to read.

With their intense visuals and focus on plot and characters, comic books can be much more engaging for younger children than other literary media, such as short stories. For older children, comic books may also help to develop the reading skills required to comprehend texts with higher levels of difficulty.

Magazines are also very visual and may appeal to children who prefer non-fiction. They are perfect for children who like to read in short bursts as they usually contain several short sections on different subjects.

Please [click this link](#) below for a list of recommended comics and magazines for children of all ages.





### Wellbeing Worries

We would like to remind our families that we still have our virtual 'talk box', introduced during COVID lockdown. Children can message [talk@wisboroughgreenschool.org.uk](mailto:talk@wisboroughgreenschool.org.uk) if they have any worries or concerns. Obviously, we want them to share any concerns with you, as their parents or carers, but sometimes it can help to talk to someone else. These emails will be sent directly to Mrs Barnard, our SENDCo/Wellbeing Lead and Mrs Butcher-Collier, our Learning Mentor.

### Parent Information



Thank you to the parents and carers who attended the Year 4 MTC information meeting and the Year 6 PGL residential meeting this week. Both presentations are now available on the relevant class page of the website for your information. If you have any further questions, please contact Mrs Barnard, Maths Lead or Miss Jeal, Acting Deputy Head, who will be happy to help.



### Sporting Events

With the sun still shining, we continue to remain hopeful for our annual Sports Day on Thursday 25th May. Parents of children who were successful in the heats for the sprint and long-distance running events should have now received an email informing them and inviting them to watch the events in the afternoon. A reminder that entry to both sessions will be via the back gate, accessed from School Road.

### Managing Medicines in School

A reminder that our Medicines in School Policy contains all the information you need regarding the administration of prescribed and non-prescribed medicine at school for children who have been unwell or who have medical needs. Medicines at Wisborough Green Primary School will be administered wherever possible to enable the inclusion of pupils with medical needs, promote regular attendance and minimise the impact on a pupil's ability to learn. The policies for both medicines and first aid are available on our [website](#). Please contact the office if you have any questions. Our Lead for Managing Medicines is Mrs Taaffe, supported by Mrs Swan.

### Lunch Reminder

Please be reminded to check your bookings and make further bookings for hot lunches via the new ParentPay.

### Staffing Vacancy

Wisborough Green currently has a vacancy for a part-time Midday Meals Assistant (MMS). Please see the [vacancies page](#) of our website for details and feel free to share with anyone who may be interested.

Congratulations to the winner of this week's PTA Cake Raffle!



### Next Week's Events

- Thursday 25th: Sports Day
- Friday 26th: INSET Day
- Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June: Half Term

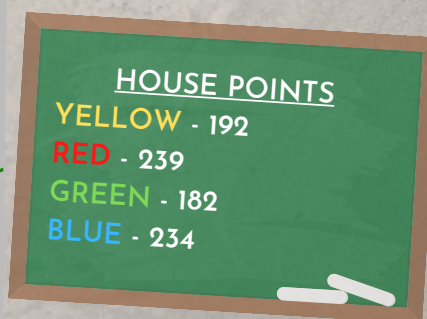
Stay up to date with all the latest news on our Twitter page: [@WisGreenPrimary](#) and check our '[Local Events](#)' website page for upcoming festive events



### Other Diary Dates

#### June 2023

Monday 5th: Summer Term 2 Begins  
Wednesday 7th: Tell Me More Curriculum - Maths  
Thursday 8th: Y3 / Y4 Sleepover (provisional date, letter to follow next week)  
Friday 9th: Family Reading Morning  
Monday 12th - Friday 16th: Y6 Residential to PGL



Total Solar Energy Generated  
174,849 kWh