

NEWSLETTER

October/November 2017



Mrs E Connor
Acting Headteacher

School Vision Statement

Wharton Primary School is a place where:

- * every child is safe and happy
- * we all reach our full potential
- * every person is valued and respected
- * all efforts and achievements are celebrated
- * we encourage everyone to make healthy life choices
- * everyone is encouraged to make a positive contribution



A Message from the Acting Headteacher

We have already had a really busy first half term and our children never fail to impress me.

I was proud to see so many Wharton pupils representing different clubs and groups - beavers, cubs, scouts, rainbows, brownies and guides at the cenotaph Remembrance Service and I want to personally thank Grace Brown (from Plum class) for presenting the Wharton C E School wreath.

We are celebrating recent achievements at Wharton.

A group of Key Stage 2 pupils have been involved in the Maths challenge at Winsford Academy battling against other Winsford schools. Although they said the questions were 'really hard' they competed at an impressive level and showed exemplary behaviour in representing our school too.

On November 28th our school choir will be performing at Chester Cathedral in a service to celebrate and give thanks for the work of Cheshire Emergency services.

They were chosen to take this leading vocal role after sending a song as our entry for a competition open to all Cheshire West and Chester schools.

Mrs Brown accompanied a group of year 5 and 6 pupils to King's school in Chester to take part in a Maths challenge. They had to work as a team to solve high level Maths questions and score points. I am proud to say that they were second overall and their medals and certificates were well deserved.

Our football team will soon be in action again, playing this Thursday in the second round following their recent success.

Good luck!

On a final note I am proud to announce that Wharton C E Primary has been awarded the Bronze PE award for the second year running.

Congratulations to all staff and pupils involved!

Mrs E Connor - Acting Headteacher

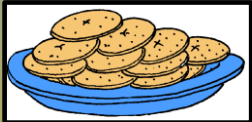
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PARENT & TODDLER GROUP



Please come and support the Parent & Toddler group, which is held every **Monday and Thursday, 8:40am – 10:30am** in the School Library (please access the library doors via the playground and not the main school reception). It's a lovely opportunity for children to play together (craft activities, lots of toys, song time). It is also a wonderful opportunity for adults to meet and have a chat over a lovely cup of coffee/tea.



YEAR 6 DANGERPOINT

Interactive Visitor Centre, North Wales

DangerPoint is an award winning interactive visitor centre on the North Wales Coast, open during school term time for schools and organised groups and during local school holidays for a fantastic family day out.

DangerPoint offers visitors the opportunity to learn about safety – but not in the way you might think. The Centre is full of fun and interactive activities to keep everyone entertained throughout a visit.

Designed like a film set, visitors journey from the home to the beach, countryside, playground, farm and other settings, **DangerPoint** offers a safe environment where visitors learn about risks and how to keep safe whilst, most importantly, having fun.



MATHS CUBIC CHALLENGE

On Wednesday 8th November, four pupils were selected to go to The Kings School Chester for a day of Maths. They were set 4 tasks throughout the whole day which were logic maths questions, to working out puzzles and a technology challenge of getting a car to move pulling weights. They even completed an individual maths test on the computer and these questions were both KS2 and KS3 level. The children had an amazing day and were thrilled to come 2nd out of 16 schools with an overall score of 356 out of 400. It was a pleasure to escort them and I loved my posh lunch!! Mrs Brown



HARRY HUGHES, SAM HANCOCK, ISOBEL ASHTON & JULES THOMPSON

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	DAY	EVENT	TIME	WHERE	FOR WHOM
4/12	MON	WEP CHRISTMAS CONCERT	Tbc	LIFESTYLE CENTRE	YEAR 5
5/12	TUES	WEP CHRISTMAS CONCERT	Tbc	LIFESTYLE CENTRE	YEAR 5
7/12	THUR	CHRISTMAS FAYRE	5-7	SCHOOL	WHOLE SCHOOL
11/12	MON	CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE	Tbc	WINSFORD ACADEMY	YEARS 5&6
12/11	TUES	CHRISTMAS NATIVITY	Tbc	SCHOOL	Plum & Peach
13/12	WED	CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE	Tbc	SCHOOL	YEAR 1&2
14/12	THUR	CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT	Tbc	SCHOOL	YEAR3&4
15/12	FRI	CHRISTMAS LUNCH	-	SCHOOL	WHOLE SCHOOL
20/12	WED	VIP DAY (pupils on GREEN)	-	SCHOOL	WHOLE SCHOOL
21/12	THUR	CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES	9:00am	MAIN HALL	YEARS 3&4
		CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES	10.15am	MAIN HALL	YEARS 5&6
		CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES	1.40pm	MAIN HALL	Plum & Peach
		CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES	2.15pm	MAIN HALL	YEARS 1&2
21/12	THUR	SCHOOL CLOS			
8/1/18	MON	SCHOOL RE-OPENS			

Please note that letters have been or will be sent regarding the above diary dates. All the above information is or will be accessible on the school website:

www.wharton.cheshire.sch.uk



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Can parent/carers please note that request for absence that has not been authorised will result in a fixed penalty notice.

The Government discourages the taking of holidays in term time. Evidence shows that children who miss school do not achieve as well as those who attend regularly.

As of September 2013, the law has restricted a Head Teacher's ability to authorise holidays during term time. Head Teachers are now only empowered to approve a leave of absence when it is requested in advance by the parent or carer with whom the child resides and when circumstances of the requested leave are 'exceptional'.

Should you still choose to take a holiday with your child during this period the Local Authority will be informed as this will constitute an unauthorised absence. A Fixed Penalty Notice will then be issued in accordance with section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law stipulates that the current penalties payable by parents are £60 when the penalty is paid within 21 days and £120 when the penalty is paid within 28 days. This penalty is per parent/carers per child.

If the fixed penalty is not paid this could lead to parents/carers being prosecuted in the Magistrates' Court.

If you feel the decision has not taken into account any relevant exceptional circumstances, then you will need to contact the school immediately for further discussion.

The school opening and closing times:



School Gates and Classroom Doors Open at 8:40am

Doors close at 9:00am and Registration for **KS1** (Rec, Year 1 & Year 2)

Doors close at 8:50am and Registration for **KS2** (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6)

Please ensure that your child arrives on time to prevent a late mark and also to minimise disruption to lessons.

(Any late arrivals are monitored and are reported to our Education Welfare Officer).



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