



Great Wishford C.E. (V.A.) Primary School



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Message from Mrs Farndale

It is hard to believe its Friday again, and almost the end of January. Things have been very busy once again in school with lots of hard work happening in each class. The younger children have been doubling numbers and the children in Kingfisher class impressed me using their multiplication facts to solve division calculations whilst the children in Skylark have been solving tricky word problems using different strategies.

There has been lots of wonderful writing happening across the school too. The older children have been busy planning and writing Myths and character descriptions amongst other things. Penguin fever is still spreading through Owl class where they have been creating beautiful Antarctic penguin collages ready to display in the corridor.

Last Friday we held our Christingle service in the school hall. Thank you to all the parents and friends of the school who joined in our celebration of God's light. It was a lovely service led by Yvonne Allen along with the Student Leaders. Each class presented their thoughts on a question they had been given about Light, which the readers read beautifully.

Today we held a House afternoon across the school where the children have been working together with others in their houses to create posters to display around the school to encourage everyone to take a pride in our surroundings. The Student Leaders did a great job leading the afternoons activities following on from their fortnightly meeting with Mrs Johnson.

This afternoon we also welcomed Tom Nash into school from the Parish Council. Before Christmas our Student Leaders met with the Parish Council and created posters to display around the village encouraging drivers to take care as they drive through with a "20 is plenty scheme". The winning design and posters along with prize were shown and awarded in assembly. Look out for the posters which will be displayed around the village shortly.

I hope the sun continues to shine this weekend and you all have a restful time.

Open Classrooms & Meet and Greet

On Tuesday 27th February, we will be holding an Open Classroom morning. We will start at 8.45 am with refreshments and a meet and greet session with Mrs Farndale and members of the Governing Body in the school hall. Parents will be able to go into any of the classrooms from 9.00 – 10.00 am where each class will have some curriculum activities to share with parents. Mrs Farndale and the Governors will be in the school hall until 10.15 am and refreshments will be served throughout the morning.

Friends of the School

The Friends of the School have booked some school discos for this year and the dates are shown in the dates for the diary. You will see that these are now taking place on a Thursday from 6.00 – 7.30 pm.

Fortnightly Maths Challenge

A group of 5 friends share a bag of sweets.



They each receive 6 sweets and there are 3 left over.



Two more friends arrive.

They share the sweets again between all 7 of them.

- How many do they each receive?
- How many are left over?

Certificates and Awards: The certificates and awards given in the Celebration Assembly 19/1/18 were as follows:

Highest Classroom Attendance - Skylark Class

Class Certificates -

Freya Bevis - Owl Class

Lacey Hallums - Kingfisher Class

Teagan Cullingworth - Skylark Class

Claire Shickle - Osprey Class

Expectations Awards -

Aspiration - Maya Ledbury

Belief - Alfie Chalk

Determination - Riley Hume

Pride - Indie Phillips, Melek Bilgic

Resilience - Pixie Bush

Respect - Charlie Hopkins

Responsibility - Thomas Chalk

Reader of the week

Owl Class - Siena Scholes

Kingfisher Class - Leah McCafferty

Skylark Class - Daisy Reed

Osprey Class - Claire Shickle

Maths Whizz Cup - Max Reed

Top house point pupils:

Sophie Newman (8)

Certificates and Awards: The certificates and awards given in the Celebration Assembly 26/1/18 were as follows:

Highest Classroom Attendance - Kingfisher Class

Class Certificates -

Leland Scriven - Owl Class

Phoebe Cooke - Kingfisher Class

Summer-Paige Henderson - Skylark Class

Becky Barnes - Osprey Class

Expectations Awards -

Aspiration - Lewis Newman

Belief - Olivia Spencer

Determination - Joshua Thomas

Pride - Charlotte Gurd

Resilience - Sophie Newman

Respect - Emelia Beattie

Responsibility - Indie Merrifield, Izzy Barratt

Reader of the week

Owl Class - River Forrester

Kingfisher Class - Harry Purnell-Webb

Skylark Class - Jake Whitby

Osprey Class - Einin McCloskey

Maths Whizz Cup - Alice-Anne Thomas

Top house point pupils: Summer Paige

Henderson (9)

To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 1st March pupils will come to school dressed as any book character. At 3pm we will be holding a Storytelling and Hot Chocolate afternoon. Staff will read stories and children will be able to enjoy a hot chocolate while listening. There will be a small charge of £1.00 per pupil for this session.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 27th February Open Classrooms Meet and Greet 8.45 - 10.30 am

Thurs 1st March - World Book Day - Dress up as Book Characters

Hot Chocolate and Storytelling 3-4.30 pm

Thurs 15th March 6-7.30 pm School Disco - School Hall

Wed 21st March - Easter Service St. Giles Church 2.15 pm

Thurs 29th March - TD Day School Closed to Pupils

Mon 25th June - Whole School Photo

Thurs 5th July - 6-7.30 pm School Disco - School Hall

Thurs 6th Dec - 6-7.30 pm School Disco - School Hall

