

# Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

**Reception** This week in EYFS we have been paleontologists. The children have had terrific fun digging for dinosaur fossils in our role play area. In art we have been making stegosaurus dinosaurs using our hand prints. A big well done to Class 1 who completed a milestone event and performed their first assembly. Furthermore, it was great to witness such fantastic sportsmanship from all reception children on our sports day. We wish to extend our thanks to all the parents who came to support us and we hope everybody had fun.

**Year 1** Lackaday, industrious, scavenging and leisurely - all words Year 1 have been using as we dig deeper into our book 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. We have been creating delicious lunches for Mr Grinling by looking at menus and then writing our own. We were amazed by how many children recognised the Nando's menu! We have also carried out a reading comprehension on how to make a paper cup lighthouse. It was great fun and the lighthouses look really good. In Maths we have been consolidating our understanding of place value by playing games - our favourite way to learn! It has been a very busy week and we also managed to squeeze in some Geography where we looked at lighthouses on Google Earth, sang sea shanties in Music and of course, made sure we were ready for Sports Day. Hope you enjoyed it!

**Year 2** Year 2 have had a busy week getting ready for sports day. We practised our baton handling skills, jumping, skipping and balancing things on our heads. The children did themselves proud at sports and all the staff were very impressed with their attitude. In maths we have been counting in 1s, 10s and 3s. In literacy we have been writing questions and exclamation sentences about the animals in Rumble in the Jungle. We have also been using joining words such as but, or, because and to, to make super sentences. We have started making sloths in DT, which has been tricky but we have shown lots of resilience!

**Year 3** This week in year 3 we have been using the grid method for multiplication. The children have been multiplying some really big numbers! We have been very impressed to see how many children know their times tables now. However, there are a few who need to keep practising. In literacy, we have been thinking about volcanoes and the children have written fantastic volcano poems. The quality of their word choices has been excellent. In our topic lessons we have been continuing to learn about the bones in the body.

**Year 4** This week, year 4 have continued to learn about fractions and how to simplify and convert them. We have been having a wonderful time learning all about Habitats and venturing out into the sensory garden for an invertebrate hunt! Year 4 have been working tirelessly to practice the important roles for sports day; Miss Elliott and Miss Howe have been very impressed with the support and encouragement that the children have been giving to KS1 children.

**Year 5** Beautiful weather for riding a bike! Lots of children in Year 5 have been undertaking their Bikeability training this week. The course has run over 4 days and the children are learning the skills they need to be safe on the roads. We had our second trip swimming on Wednesday and the remainder of the week we have been thinking about science outside the classroom. We have been creating Nature Scavenger Hunts for Year 1 and Reception. First we went around the school grounds and found the best places to take them and after that we have been busy creating the Scavenger Hunts and activity booklets for the younger children. We're looking forward to Friday when we get the chance to try them out!

**Year 6** Year 6 have been very busy this week practicing for our end of year performance. We have been trying not to use our scripts when acting and singing songs without the backing lyrics. As well as this, we have worked hard to fine-tune our punctuation and wrote a scene from our Treasure Island playscripts in narrative form. On Wednesday, as part of Science Week, we looked at how woodlice have evolved over time and went in search of them in the sensory garden. We found out that woodlice prefer damp, dark habitats because many millions of years ago, they originated from the crustacean family and lived in water! Finally, we have been enjoying the lovely weather and played diamond cricket and rounders in the sun!

**Music** Many of our musicians have been preparing hard for the School Concert which is taking place next Wednesday. This will feature the Singing Starz, Wednesday Boys, Y6 composition groups, Ukulele Group, Biscuit Band and soloists. Final letters and tickets have been sent out this week; please return any unwanted tickets. The Song of the Week has been, 'Baby 1,2,3' which is a funky take on Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes. We realised that it was a really good brain gym workout!