## Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

**Reception** It has been such a treat for the team to visit you all during our home visits this week. What a great chance it has been for the children and yourselves to share with us both your communities and favourite past times. We've learnt so many new things about you all and we cannot wait to learn more during your first week. We feel very lucky to have the children starting at Wheatfields and are all a buzz preparing the classroom ready to have some fun on Monday. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon, the EYFS team. Just a reminder that our morning session will be 9.00am until 12pm and then the afternoon session from 1pm until 3pm.

**Year 1** Welcome back to all the children and parents of the new Year 1 cohort! We have had a fantastic first week back. The children have been introduced to their new classrooms and teachers as well as a new routine. They have built their own houses with Lego and enjoyed other activities such as drawing, free writing and painting a Summer Holiday memory. Next week, we will introduce the children to our new topic 'Super Duper Me!' and we look forward to meeting you all at the Curriculum meeting on Tuesday at 2.30pm.

Year 2 Bang! Smash! Wallop! Year 2 has begun! Welcome back one and all! All the adults working within the phase would like to say a big hello to all the children within the cohort beginning Year 2. We are all very excited about the year ahead and we hope the children are too! On Wednesday morning, the children had a huge surprise entering their classrooms... Little did they know that they were entering 'Castles' and not classrooms. With drawbridges, portcullises and keeps, the children spent the first day back exploring their new learning environments, recalling classroom rules and settling in. For the rest of the week the class teachers have been acquiring baseline data for everyone in the form of teacher assessments. Don't forget that on Monday 10th September there is the Year 2 Curriculum meeting at 9:00am. This is where the class teachers will explain expectations, SATS, a "normal" school day, routines etc. We hope to see you there!

**Year 3** We have had a great start in Year 3 and have been very impressed with the way children have settled in and have adjusted to their new routines We dived straight into our first topic in R.E., where the children have been learning the Christian and Hindu beliefs as well as the scientific theory of how the world began. The children then wrote and illustrated their own representations. We will be discussing arrangements and routines for Year 3 at the meeting for parents and carers that is coming up shortly but ahead of this we would like to inform you that P.E lessons will be on a **Tuesday** and **Thursday** afternoon. These lessons are Games lessons that will take place outside, (weather permitting) and the children will need their P.E kit and a change of footwear.

**Year 4** Year 4 have come back full of beans. They have been impressing their new teachers with their writing and art skills. We have started work on our class text and are looking forward to exploring this in more detail over the next few weeks. We have also been brushing up on our times tables and trying to do them out of order. Our PE days will be on Tuesday and Wednesday we will be outside so please make sure that the children have trainers to change into.

**Year 5** Welcome to Year 5! We are very excited to kick things off with an introduction to our World War 2 topic. This week we have immersed ourselves into what happened to London during the dog fights and who Winston Churchill is. We are very impressed with your mature attitude towards your new year group and we can't wait to see all of your wonderful work! Mrs Khan and Miss Vickers.

**Year 6** We are very impressed with how our Year 6 students have hit the ground running despite a lengthy break! Duties assigned, class charters drawn up, we have also begun to delve into our first literacy text, 'The Lost Thing': an intriguing read so far. Not wasting time to top up on our knowledge bank, we have started our topic work on the Industrial Revolution and studied some work by Lowry, then attempting to recreate a section - more or less successfully!!!

**Music** The children were in fine voice this week and filled the hall with some African Welcome Songs! We have some exciting things in store this term with topics ranging from Music during the WW2 years, through Beethoven, learning the ukulele, Animal Music, recorders, keyboards and more! I am looking forward to welcoming new and existing members to Biscuit Band, Singing Starz and Wednesday Boys.