## Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary,

**Reception** A warm welcome back to all pupils and parents in EYFS. We have been hearing about all the wonderful visits and holidays that the children have had in Literacy as the children have been taking it in turns to share their holiday news with their class. All the children chose the topic of the 'The human body & the skeleton' to learn about this term. The role play area has been turned into a Doctor's Clinic complete with a X-ray machine so we can look at our skeletons, patient forms, medical boxes and stethoscopes. All the children are looking forward to learning about how the human body works.

**Year 1** What a first week back! Who would have thought that Y1 have found a new species of animal - A Bog Baby! After a very secretive letter from Mr Dove, the children went on a hunt for a small, elusive blue creature, and behold, they discovered a Bog Baby! In a massive coincidence, there just so happens to be a story about Bog Babies which the teachers read to the children yesterday. We have now learnt the story and have thought of exciting actions to help us remember the plot! In maths, we are counting to 100 and beyond, as well as practicing writing our letter formation! Roll on next week!

**Year 2** Year 2 have come back full of beans and ready to learn! We have been looking at place value in maths and putting numbers on to blank 100 squares and number lines. In literacy we have started our unit of work on 'Cops and Robbers' By Janet and Allan Ahlberg, we have been hunting for adjectives and rhyming words and suggesting our own. We have also started our new topic, 'People who help us' we will be looking at this along with healthy diet and exercise over the next half term. PE days are still Monday and Wednesday the children will need an indoor and outdoor PE kit with a change of shoes either trainers or plimsolls. We are on the countdown to our sponsored event on Friday, due to this awesome event we will push back the superstar spelling test until Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April.

Year 3 What a fantastic start to the new term in year 3! This week we have enjoyed philosophy. We have talked about big questions such as 'what came first the chicken or the egg?' We talked about how some questions are impossible to answer. We talked about our ideas and tried to give reasons for our thoughts. Our main big question was 'how did the world begin?' We looked at what some of the main world religions believe as well as the scientific big bang theory. After all of this, the children were given the opportunity to write, paint or draw their own ideas about how the world began. Some children preferred to stick to one existing theory while others combined theories. Some children made up their own theories.

A great start to the summer term!

**Year 4** An exciting start back for Year 4 who have had their first swimming session at the Ivo. Miss Elliott and Miss Howe were impressed with the behaviour of the year group and hope that their positive and sensible attitude continues. We have just begun our new science topic on sound and have been testing how we can hear, see and feel vibrations using different equipment. Next week, Year 4 will be making their own musical instruments to test pitch and volume. If any parents or grandparents have any spare shoe boxes, cardboard boxes or bottles that they wouldn't mind donating to the year group for their Science, this would be greatly appreciated!

Year 5 In Year 5, this week we have been doing lots of science and learning about Microbes (Micro-organisms) and two famous scientists (from the 18<sup>th</sup> century and the 19<sup>th</sup>century) called Edward Jenner and Louis Pasteur who invented ways to cure diseases like small pox. Edward Jenner was born on 1759 and died in 1823 and Louis Pasteur was born in France, December the 27<sup>th</sup> 1822 and died on September 1895 aged 73. In maths we have been learning about place value with decimals. We have been looking at place value with decimals for the last few weeks. Now we are learning to add and subtract decimals. We have enjoyed our learning this week. We also learnt about prime numbers up to 100. Here are all of the ones up to 10 2, 3, 5, 7, 9. As part of our games lessons we have done cross country; where you run round the school field several times. Some of the Year 5 children represented the school in the Cambridgeshire Cross Country Event at St Neots. They all tried their best so we are very proud of them! We have also enjoyed playing rounders. That's all we have been doing this week. By Riley Scott and Jasmine Valentine

**Year 6** This week in Year 6, we have been creating volcano pictures using a range of media. In maths, Class 13 have been revising time and Class 14 have been looking at measures and interpreting different scales. In P.E, we have been developing our teamwork and leadership skills in preparation for some orienteering in the coming weeks. Finally we have been developing our reading comprehension across a range of different texts.

**Music** The Song of the Week is, 'I love the Flowers', which gradually gets higher in pitch and splits into 2 parts the 2nd time round so we have to think carefully to hold on to our note! Y4 children are learning about 'Pictures at an Exhibition' by Mussorgsky and Y3 are learning about Mozart. What can you find out about these composers?