

# Learning is exciting at Wheatfields Primary!

**Reception** This week in EYFS we have been talking about all the changes and transitions looking forward to next year. The children have had the opportunity to talk about what they are excited about for year one and talk through any questions they have. Class 1 have had some extra time with Miss Parkinson to ask even more questions about Year 1. We have also had a football theme this week. The children have decorated and learnt about the different flags, footballs and football boots in art. In literacy we have been writing about the different football teams we support and where and how we have supported them. In phonics we have been reviewing our phase 3 sounds and our tricky words.

**Year 1** Another blisteringly hot week passes and we step closer to the summer holidays! Both classes this week have been practicing and consolidating their understanding of solving addition, subtraction and multiplication calculations using the part whole method. To challenge the children the adults have given them word problems which have encouraged the children to use their reading skills as well as their maths skills to answer them! In Literacy both classes have welcomed Y5 into Y1. The children were paired with a Y5 counterpart and were challenged to create a board game based on the text they have been learning about - The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch. The children had to design and then create their board game using a multitude of resources! Everyone also had to devise a set of rules and then write them out so they were clear and expertly presented. We were also very lucky to go and watch the Y6 production on Tuesday afternoon. The whole year group enjoyed the performance and were completely amazed with the fantastic singing, dancing and jokes! Roll on next week.

**Year 2** Year 2 have been in full swing exploring different destinations this week. As part of our Literacy topic the children have been exploring travel brochures as a form of non fiction writing. However, they have been using their sneaky skills to add persuasive language into their writing as an extra hook for those holiday hunters! We have been in awe of their word choices including; sensational, desirable, mesmerising and mouth watering. It has been incredible to read the editions in their work as well as to see their enjoyment in challenging one another word choices. Now although it sounds like we have been a buzz with just Literacy that is not the case. Within Maths this week the children have been reasoning with their understanding of fractions. They have had to consider not only how to solve fractions but how to decipher problems that use fractions whilst explaining their methods or understanding. It's been a very impressive week. Keep it up Year 2! Xx

**Year 3** This week in year 3 we have been continuing with our work on the Romans. The children have been doing research to add to their knowledge about the Romans. They have put their favourite facts onto a mind map. It's amazing to see what they know! They have used these facts to create fantastic Roman leaflets. They look brilliant and show what the children have learnt this term during the topic. In maths we have continued to work on word problems using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children have been developing their ability to use their RUCSAC to help them with solving word problems. Please ask them what this stands for!

**Year 4** This week, year 4 have begun to write our own newspaper reports based on 'Tuesday' by David Weisner. We have now finished our pastel lily pads and have been making animals out of tissue paper to put on our display board. We had great fun doing a rounders match on Wednesday and we will be finishing our term with a final year group match next week. In maths, we have been learning about coordinates, translations of shapes and understanding information from pictograms. Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed watching the year 6 production and send a huge congratulations to the entire year 6 team!

**Year 5** Another busy but fantastic week for Year 5. It was so much fun working with Year 1 and helping them to create board games. All the Year 5 children were very helpful and keen to help - it was amazing to see all the children working together. Along with that, we have been busy learning about 'percentages' in Maths through concrete, pictorial and abstract approach. With this approach, children can always work out a problem as it gives them the skills to work out a harder problem. Keep it up Year 5 and a very well done for persevering with your learning positively during very hot days. Thanks, Yr5's

**Year 6** WHAT A WEEK! We have been learning about Buddhism - the main beliefs, symbols and places of worship - and have used some meditation techniques to help calm us down for our other main event of the week. We had our dress rehearsal of Superstan on Monday and, amazingly, it went without a hitch! And that set the tone for the rest of the week! With every performance, we got better and better, getting more and more laughs and making up the script as we went along! The adults in year 6 really couldn't be more proud of us and we have heard SO many people say it is by far the best production they have ever seen! We really cannot say how grateful we all are for your support with it all - we hope you all got a chance to come and watch it all! And now for the carnival on Saturday - seems like we move from one thing to the next at the minute!! Look out for us and give us a wave!

**Music** Congratulations to Y6 for your fine singing in 'Staggering Stanley' this week. You projected your voices, sang with clear diction and lots of expression! Keeeeeep singing! I am so impressed with our Y4 pupils who put the finishing touches to their Iron Man compositions this week so we could film them. They were multi-layered so took a lot of co-ordination. Watch out, Mussorgsky! Y5 created their own class pyramid composition by gradually adding layers to thicken the texture then fading out a group at a time. This was inspired by Mike Oldfield's Tubular Bells. Y3 didn't do music this week as they were watching the show!

