



## Wolf Class Newsletter

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas and wish you and our school community the very best for 2024. What a fantastic first term; helicopter visits, first aid training, leadership and volunteer roles, anti-bullying workshops, 5 ways to wellbeing, Macmillan coffee mornings and much more. Lets hope that the Spring term continues to offer so many opportunities to develop our pupils personally, providing them with experiences and skills that will support them in the future.

**Maths** – Year 6 have continued to work on decimals and are now able to multiply and divide decimals using formal written methods. Next, children will begin to use their knowledge of multiplying and dividing to convert units of measurement.

Year 5 have been reading graphs and are beginning to order and compare fractions with different denominators.

**English** – We have started a new text called ‘Some Places More Than Others’, which the children have really enjoyed so far. We have written in role of Amara, the main character, and produced a letter and diary entry. Amara has been given a project called the suitcase project from school, where she learns all about her family. Wolf class have also started to create their own suitcase project, starting with a ‘Top 10 list of important things to them’.

**Science** – We have started our physics topic in Science called ‘Heat’. Children have started by recapping their knowledge of solid liquid and gases and have begun to discuss what happens to the particles in a substance when they are heated and cooled. We observed an experiment of watching the reaction of balloons when cooled in nitrogen, before being removed.

**History** – Children have looked forward to starting our latest history unit, the Benin Kingdom, after studying the Children of the Benin Kingdom in English. Children have already been able to make links to their learning during this unit with key vocabulary such Oba and umozo sword. We are looking forward to building on our previous knowledge over the coming weeks.

**PE** – We have started demonstrating our striking skills in tennis – children have already begun to demonstrate the correct position when preparing for a forehand shot. Children will begin to use this learning when rallying with their peers.

For more information about your child’s learning this half term, please visit our class page on our school website [www.whistonwillis.co.uk](http://www.whistonwillis.co.uk)

### **Attendance**

Attendance is so important! Please ensure you encourage your child to attend school daily to ensure they achieve their full potential.

### **PE Days**

PE days are Tuesday and Friday.

### **Clubs**

All clubs have now started, please ensure your child attends clubs as often as possible. Year 6 Maths club is on a Monday and Y6 Reading/ SPAG club is on a Thursday. In addition, all Year 6 children are welcome to attend school from 8am every day for extra, targeted support.

### **Important Dates**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Jan – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan – Yr 6 Gangsman

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan – Yr 6 Bikeability (Date TBC)

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan – Bully Busters (Pupil Leadership)

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb – Yr 5 Busy Bodies Programme (Health & Hygiene)

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**Thank you for your continued support**

**Mr Wong**

