# WHISTON WILLIS PRIMARY ACADEMY WADE DEACON TRUST

# 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

# **Penguin Class Newsletter**

# Messages

- Another busy week this week! I am so proud of how the children have been working.
- A reminder for children to log on to complete homework tasks
   TT Rockstars, Ed Shed spellings and Maths.co.uk

# **English**

• The children have now completed writing their own stories based on the book Black Dog by Levi Pinfold. We are now moving onto a different text called The Heart and the Bottle by Oliver Jeffers.

# Maths

We have now completed our first unit of multiplication and division for maths and have now moved onto
our second multiplication and division. This unit will focus on the children learning how to use formal
written methods to multiply and divide such as short multiplication and the bus stop method.

#### Science

• In Science, we have now moved onto our new unit- Raw and Synthetic materials. The children will learn about a variety of natural and man-made materials as well as conducting a range of scientific investigations such as making their own paper from recycled materials.

# Geography

• We have now moved onto our new geography topic- The North West. The children will explore the different regions of the North West, as well as study some of the human and physical geographical features of these areas. The children have also used their map reading skills to locate areas of our school grounds.

# <u>DT</u>

• We are finally ready to make our torches as part of our DT topic- Electrical Circuits. The children have designed their torches and after they have made them, they will evaluate their effectiveness.

# PE

This half term, our PE topics are Cool Core Strength and Throwing and Catching. In Cool Core Strength, the
children will be learning all about how to use a variety of exercises to strengthen their core. Throwing and
Catching will focus on developing skills using a variety of different balls and understanding how to use
these effectively. Eventaully the children will learn the basics of cricket and participate in small cricket
games.

#### **PSHE**

• As part of our current topic Celebrating Differences, the children are continuing to learn about anti-bullying as well as learning about how diversity should be celebrated. We have also been very lucky to have a theatre group called Altru Drama come and deliver a performance and workshops to our children.

# **Music**

• As part of our music curriculum, year 3 have been learning how to play the ukulele. They have learnt the different parts of the ukulele as well as some of the different notes and chords.

#### News

## **Academic Excellence**

Well done to the following children who have been our 'Workers of the Week' in recent weeks: Vinnie and Sage.

# **Christmas**

• It is a very exciting time of year as we approach Christmas. This week the children have enjoyed Christmas movie night as well as taking part in the Santa Dash on Thursday during Christmas jumper day. Thank you for all your continued support during this busy time of year.

## PE

During the second half term, children can attend school in full Whiston Willis PE kits on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.. If our PE days change next half term, a letter and tweets will be sent out in due course.

To see all our latest learning and for school updates, please follow @MrsWilliamsPen1 and @WhistonWillis1 on twitter.

Thank you for your continued support Mrs Williams

