25th March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was great that so many of you took the opportunity last week and this to discuss the progress your children have made so far this year. Having open communication and working together towards the common goal of your children achieving well in all aspects of school life is key to success. We also hope you have a clear idea about how we are working to develop your children both academically and in terms of their personal, social and moral development through the curriculum information leaflet we shared.

Next week, we will be sending out a link to a parent voice questionnaire that we really would like you to complete. This feedback is really important to us so that we can evaluate our work, celebrate what we do well and identify which areas we can further develop.

We have had some further external review work over the last week with colleagues from other primary schools in the area. We have looked at our curriculum work in science, music, history and computing and again we have been able to celebrate the outcomes the children are getting across a range of subjects across the curriculum. The subject leaders have worked so hard in all subjects to develop a great broad and balanced curriculum offer for the children across school.

Our Y5/6 children had a great experience completing design and technology workshops this week and their final designs have been made into moving fairground rides that are of excellent quality. Have a look at the work produced on Twitter- you will be impressed!

We have also had a full day reviewing leadership and management, behaviour and attitudes and our work in promoting good personal development. This highlighted again how well behaved our children are and that their attitudes to learning are excellent. The children also talked confidently about how school develops them in more ways than just academically which was great to hear.

We continue to promote good health and fitness with the children and they really enjoyed their sessions with Trikidz last week. We have had teams represent us in competitions and as always they participated well and represented the school fantastically. We have our Y3/4 children in Merseyside dodgeball finals next week having qualified from the Knowsley competition so good luck to those children taking part.

Attendance League Table (1/3/22-25/3/22)

Position	Class	Percentage attendance	**WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNERS…… (WK BEG 15/3)**	**WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNERS……(WK BEG 22/3)**
1st	Cheetah	98.25%	**Chocolate prize……**	**Chocolate prize……**
2nd	Shark	97.74%	SQUIRREL-E.Oshoba	SQUIRREL-J.Astles
3rd	Lion	95.55%	RABBIT-D.M. Robson	RABBIT-H.Crane
4th	Owl	94.84%	OWL-S.Wood	OWL-B.Hayhurst
5th	Pangolin	94.19%	HEDGEHOG-Z.Roach	HEDGEHOG-F.Stewart
6th	Panda	94.1%	JAGUAR-A.Trundle Kenny	JAGUAR-S.Woodland
7th	Jaguar	93.86%	PANGOLIN-L.McLeod	PANGOLIN-J.Lunt
8th	Zebra	93.7%	PANDA- M.McEwan	PANDA- J.Seiga
9th	Hedgehog	91.51%	ZEBRA-F.Thomas	ZEBRA-I.Davies
10th	Wolf	89.89%	LION- C.Gledhill	LION- B.Jones
11th	Penguin	89.16%	SHARK-H.Ditchfield Allen	SHARK-R.Donnellly
12th	Squirrel	88.47%	PENGUIN- M.Wildman	PENGUIN- J.Howl
13th	Rabbit	78.33%	WOLF- P.Chriscoli	WOLF- A.Ordinario
			CHEETAH- H.Garton	CHEETAH-M.Harbourne

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We have seen a small improvement in attendance over the last couple of weeks and I am hoping that this continues over the next few weeks. We continue to have some positive Covid cases and I do ask you to be aware of your children displaying symptoms and then follow the government guidance.

Special mentions for positively standing out in the last few weeks……

CLASS	PUPIL
Squirrel	Elsie L and Olivia H
Rabbit	Cali Mc and Holly J
Owl	Bobby H and Annie C
Hedgehog	Daniel V and Nyla H
Jaguar	Oliver Cor and Vinnie A
Pangolin	John Paul R and Oscar W
Panda	Skyler W and Charlie F
Zebra	Ruby S and Kelsie F
Lion	Isabel D and Sonny S
Shark	Elle M and Freddie M
Penguin	Jake C and Jessica P
Wolf	Marinel V and Lucas W
Cheetah	Charlie J and Sonny H

To follow what is going on in your child's class, please join Twitter and follow the class page. It is a great way to see all the learning and fun that goes on in classes.

Class newsletters will be sent out next Friday so look out for what is going on through them.

Also follow @whistonwillis1 for updates and information.

Dates for the diary in this half term….

28th Mar	**1.00pm**	**Y3/4 Dodgeball Competition**	**Selected pupils**
29th Mar	**All day**	**School Photographs (More information to follow)**	**ALL PUPILS**
30th Mar	**All day**	**Y3/4 Gymnastics final**	**SELECTED PUPILS**
1st April-3RD April	**Weekend**	**Y6 Robinwood Residential**	**Y6 PUPILS**
5th April	**TBC**	**Easter Stay and Play**	**PM Nursery**
6th April	**TBC**	**Easter Stay and Play**	**AM Nursery**
8th April	**3.00pm**	**School Closes for Easter**	

Kind regards

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