



Wharton Primary School Newsletter March 2019

The children and staff continue to work hard with some great outcomes. Whenever I walk around school children from Nursery to Year 6 are engaged in their learning and keen to tell me what they are doing and to show off their achievements. I take visitors around school and without fail, they comment on how lovely the children are and what a positive attitude to learning they have.

Some highlights of recent weeks have been:

- The debate team continues to enjoy success in the weekly club and in local competitions - who knew our children would be so good at arguing?!
- The school football team is gaining confidence as they take part in local matches - we're not set to win the league this year but watch this space!
- Year 2 have enjoyed a trip to Staircase House in Stockport, bringing to life their learning about the Great Fire of London.
- Anti Bullying week was marked with a performance from a Theatre group giving the children food for thought about how we can be vigilant about preventing bullying in school.
- Year 4 & 6 have enjoyed a day focusing on Electricity as part of their science learning.
- A variety of school shoes are creeping in - please make sure shoes are flat & completely black. Children will be asked to change into pumps if they do not have the correct footwear.
- PE kits are going missing! Please make sure your child's kit is named. Kits will be kept in the children's trays instead of the cloakrooms to try to stop this.
- We are delighted to welcome 'Coach Nick' as a full time member of staff at the end of next month - he will be responsible for developing sport throughout school.

We are trying to move towards being a paperless organisation. Over the next term we will send more & more communication via text & email. If you haven't yet signed up to ParentPay, please do, so we can keep you in the loop.

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We re-open for the new term on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 8:55am. We will be closed for the Easter weekend including Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> & Easter Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

I know the school field is a mess! Unfortunately it's out of our hands & I am in conversation with the Local Authority about what needs to happen next.

Attendance this term has been more of a concern than ever.

We have not yet been able to award any class for 100% attendance for a week!!

As an added incentive for the 1<sup>st</sup> class to get 100% attendance for a week, parents will be entered into a raffle draw for a cash prize of £50.

This will start on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April - and has to be 5 consecutive days (because we've got 2 4 day weeks!).

If we do not already have 2 emergency contact numbers, we will send out a request for a 2<sup>nd</sup> number in the new term. This is to ensure we can always get hold of someone in an emergency.