



# The Thursday Green 'Un

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## Fair Funding for WCM!

We would like to say an enormous thank you to all the families who came along to the information meeting in the hall on Wednesday. All the staff are so dedicated to giving your children the very best we can and that determination and love will never be squashed. We need to unite stronger than ever to make our voices heard.

Things you can do to support:

- Bring your reply slips back to school to allow children to go to the Town Hall.
- Sign the letter to Damien Hinds ready for Mr Read to take to Parliament.
- Get the letter signed by as many more people as you can.
- Keep sharing the letter on Social Media.

## Learning Across School

In **Nursery** this week, our role play area has been a fruit and vegetable shop. We have been taking it in turns to be the shopkeeper or customers. We have been counting, sharing, naming fruit and vegetables and been positive and polite to our customers!

This week in **F2** we are reading the story of the Three Little Pigs. We are writing about the big bad wolf in our books. We are doing lots of activities in continuous provision related to the story. In role play we are retelling the story and we are problem solving with the marble run in the water tray. We are finding out which objects we can blow off our hands and we are finding out which materials are the strongest for building...straw, sticks or bricks.

In **Y1** we have been doing lots of science and trying to solve a problem for the Gingerbread Man. We had to do experiments to see what the best material was to make him a coat to stop him getting soggy. It was great fun!

In **Y2** we have been learning a story map about The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark. It

is a beautiful story and once we have learnt it we will use the structure to write our own stories. We are also hoping to retell the story to Phase 1 assembly...how exciting is that?

This term in **Y3** PE we are learning how to play rounders. Last week we practised under arm and over arm throws, this week we've been practising bowling and batting the ball.

**Y4s** have been rehearsing again for our performance of Silent Town. We did a full day at the Crucible on Monday, it was great working behind the scenes in a real theatre. We will be performing on Thursday 21st March at the Crucible Theatre – more details to follow and tickets will be available soon!

The content for our **Y5** London apps is now finished! We had our critical expert, Catherine Elliott, in on the Wednesday before the half-term holiday. We laid out our iPads to show-off our amazing content and went around the classroom giving warm and cool feedback. Catherine was so impressed with our professional layout and content, she left lots of warm feedback.

**Y6** has been busy as ever! In maths this week, we have looked at area and perimeter. We have looked at how you can find them – especially composite rectilinear shapes. In English, we have started to build up our own version of a story. We are trying to keep the reader in suspense by using lots of features and 'good' word choices. We are starting to look in theme at the human impact on our world. The children will be doing a presentation, a short piece of writing and a poster. Keep your eyes peeled for an invitation to come and see their work. We have re-capped our gymnastic skills in PE. We have also started to learn advanced skills in throwing and catching in preparation for the rounders season.

## Breakfast Club

Due to the increasing popularity of our Breakfast Club, we have been trying a new system. This has run well so far this week but we welcome your comments and feedback. You can either call into school to tell us, phone school, email [enquiries@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@watercliffe.sheffield.sch.uk) or send us a private message on Facebook.

We hope that you will continue to come and join us for breakfast. Our overall aim is to make the service we provide better for families.

## Year 4 Performance

Children in Year 4 are currently refining their acting and singing skills for a performance of Silent Town on **Thursday 21st March** after school at the **Crucible Theatre** in town. Details of tickets and timing of the performance will go out to families in a letter shortly.

## Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day is **Friday 15th March** and we will be selling Red Noses in the Office for two weeks from Friday 1st March. We have 400 noses for sale, but when they are gone, they are gone so get yours soon! Red Noses this year are £1.25 each. On the day children can pay 50p and come dressed in official Red Nose Day clothing or anything red.

## Easter Bonnet Parade

Phase 1 will be having an Easter Bonnet Parade on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. Come along to see the children in their hats.

- 9.15am: Morning / Monday-Wednesday Nursery & F2
- 2.15pm for Y1, Afternoon / Wednesday to Friday nursery children.

It will be eggcellent!

## Reading Miles

How are you going with collecting your 40 reads for this term? Some people across school have already reached the magical number and are ready and waiting for their silver badge. You have until Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March to record your reads. If you did not get your bronze badge last term you can achieve it this term by recording 40 reads. Miss Heap and Mr Smith will be coming round classes in the last week of term giving out badges, I wonder which class will have the most?



## Parking

We have had a couple of parents in saying about dangerous car parking in the rear car park and on the roads around school. On Friday we even had a car parked across the round-a-bout which made it really difficult for families using the turning circle and local residents. Please park in an appropriate manner that keeps our children safe.

## World Book Day

Yesterday saw WCM invaded by characters from books. We had burglars, dwarfs, princesses to name but a few. You should have received your free book token that can be claimed in many book shops. For more information check out [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com) Thank you as ever for your support!

## London Residential

Thank you to all the families who came to the London meeting on Tuesday night. If you couldn't attend and have questions please call in to school to ask us. A pack will be sent home to families who couldn't make it. We will set off on our adventure on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June** and return on Saturday **8<sup>th</sup> June around 6pm**. Remember full payment needs to be made by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April to enable us to book the necessary tickets.

## Rainbows

Rainbows is held in St Catherine's school on Wednesdays during term time for girls aged between 4-7 years of age and the time is 4.45-5.50pm. There is a small weekly charge and children work towards badges in and out of group. The weekly groups consist of various craft activities and games, outings, occasional sleep overs and so on. The group is open to girls from all schools and is extremely welcoming. If you would like more information call Kirsty on 07863890144

## INSET Day Change

We are changing the date of our 3<sup>rd</sup> INSET day from Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March to **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April**.

## Holidays!

Remember we finish for the Easter (not Easter) Holidays on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** and come back to school on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**. Let's hope the tradition of good weather at Easter continues and we have some fun in the sun!