



The Thursday Green 'Un

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Fair Funding for WCM!

Town Hall Visit 18th March

At 11.20 we will gather in the **Peace Gardens** ready for a few short speeches at **11.30** from 2 of our Council leaders, Mr Read and possibly 1 or 2 other representatives from the school. The speeches will not be long but will outline the importance of why we are doing this for Watercliffe Meadow and schools up and down the country.

After this the younger children will make their way back to school. The **Y5 and Y6 children** will do some further campaigning up until about 12.00 in **Tudor Square** and at the top of **Fargate**. There will also be an opportunity for 30 children to have a tour of the Town Hall from 11.00.

If you wish to join us next Monday you can either make your own way to town or walk down with the Y5&6 children (weather permitting)

If you have not given permission for your child to go to town they will have a normal day in school.

In order for us to help our children have a greater understanding we have been doing different activities. We have had a short P4C session in classes where we tried an activity to show how difficult it becomes when resources are taken away. The children were asked to make a book from newspaper but as they went along, we removed scissors, rulers and pencils so they were left with 10% fewer resources than they started with. We discussed how it made us feel and how this relates to the issues in education at the moment.

We have also been writing letters to the Secretary of State for Education to tell him why we need more money in school.

Learning Across School

In **F1** we have been reading lots of different story books linking in to World Book Day. Our children loved dressing up and made such a great effort. We certainly enjoy sharing our favourite stories!

In **F2** we are thinking about building houses for our 3 little pigs. We want them to be strong so they are safe from the big bad wolf. We are working together to make sure we make our houses big enough and to check they have doors and windows, we don't want them to fall down when the wolf tries to blow them down!

Last week in **Y1** we went on a visit to Whirlow Hall Farm. Despite the horrible weather we had a great time investigating different habitats and seeing the animals. We also saw the house we will stay in next year when we are in Y2!

In **Y2** we have been learning the story of The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark. We used the story structure to retell what happened to Plop the owl and used a story map to orally retell the story to the children in Reception, they loved it! We had to talk with loud, clear voices so they could hear the story. Next we will use the structure to write our own stories.

Last week in **Y3** we were writing the story of Egyptian Cinderella using speech. We were so amazed with the vocabulary and use of punctuation that the children used. On our blog are a few examples but please do come and ask for your child's Literacy books to have a look at their writing!

In **Y4** we are adding the finishing touches to our performance and we are so excited to show it to all our families next week. We are also preparing for our visit to

Thornbridge...it is non-stop for us at the minute!

Last week in **Y5**, we had our 2nd session with two representatives from SUFC's Move and Learn programme. The focus of the indoor session was bones and muscles. The class recapped what we had learnt earlier in the year about bones of the body. Tristan, from SUFC, gave us the main sections of bones in the body and we had to try and put them together. We had great success overall except for muddling up our humerus (bone in our arm) and femur (bone in our leg), we had very long arms and shorter legs.

Parent Champions

After our Parent Champion meeting last Wednesday we now have the following parent champions in position:

Coordinator / school contact point – Rob Rooney

F1 - Emma Stevenson

F2 - Roxanne Walsh

Y1 - Beth Ashmore

Y2 - Tracey Schofield

Y3 - Kerry Deverill and Louise Cox

Y4 - Natalie Law

Y5 - Kerry Wiggington

Y6 - Nicola D'arcy

There were also some special interest champions volunteer:

Arts and craft - Beth and Tracey

SATS Nicola D'arcy

If you would like to join the team at any point that is fine, contact Rob for more information. If you have any questions for any of our champions then please get in touch, any messages can be left at Reception.

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.

Café Closure

Due to an event in school our Cafe will be closed on Friday 22nd March in the afternoon.

Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day is **tomorrow, 15th March** and children can pay 50p and come dressed in official Red Nose Day clothing or anything red. We will let you know how much money we have raised, thank you as ever for your support.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Phase 1 will be having an Easter Bonnet Parade on **Wednesday 27th 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 22nd 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?



London Residential

If you would like your child to take part in the London residential, full payment needs to be made by **Friday 26th April** to enable us to book the necessary tickets. If you have any questions please call in and talk to us.

Y3 Science

If you have any 2 litre pop bottles can you please wash them and bring them into school for Y3 science. Thank you in advance!

Holidays!

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