



Headteacher's Update from Mrs Chadwick

I would like to wish all children and their families a happy new year. The children have been a fantastic start to 2022 and their attitude and behaviour has really reflected our 4 core behaviour values – resilience, relationships, responsibility and respect.



The children thoroughly enjoyed their physical session on Thursday with Freddy Fit learning how to keep fit and improving their positive wellbeing – I think there was a few aching muscles on Friday!

Key Notices

- Please can we remind you that the children should NOT play on the park on the playground before or after school. Please ensure children stay with an adult before dropping off and after pick up. Thank you.

Dates for your diary

Spring Term 2022

Inset Day school closed	Wednesday 5th January
Spring 1 starts	Thursday 6th January
Half Term Holiday	Monday 21st – Friday 25th February
Term 2 starts	Monday 28th February
Term ends	Thursday 7th April

COVID Updates

- We are constantly updating our COVID risk assessment in line with changing guidelines and will keep you updated when changes are made.
- To keep our school community as safe as possible could we please ask that you wear a facemask when picking up/dropping off children in the school yard and also if you need to call in to the school office.
- If a child tests positive for COVID they must isolate for 10 days. Children may be able to end their isolation period earlier if a lateral flow test shows negative on day 6 and then 24 hours later on day 7 of their isolation period. This is only if they are not displaying symptoms.
- If any children in school display symptoms we will contact parents to come and collect them. PCR tests must be taken if displaying symptoms.

- All adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – should take a lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Daily testing by close contacts will help to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Attendance Winners

Whole School: 93.6 %

This week's Class Attendance Winners are:

1st: Y3 - 96.3 %

2nd: Y1 – 95.3 %

3rd: Y2 – 93.6%

Worship

This week in worship we have been exploring how to make a resolution with Miss Hilton. We explored the saying 'a glass half empty, and a glass half full' and what it means to look at challenges with a positive attitude. Linked to this saying, we heard the story about the butterfly and the photographer. We discovered that a butterfly needs to go through the challenge of breaking out of the chrysalis to be able to fly. We learnt that sometimes challenges can be difficult but you can learn a lot from working through them.



We have also explored our new PSHE SCARF topic which is Keeping Myself Safe With Mrs Coleman, PSHE leader. We looked at who in our lives help to keep us safe in KS1, such as our parents, doctors and policemen and some of the important things that we always need to check are safe with our adults. In KS2, we explored a number of different pictures, from the advantages of wearing cycle helmets, crossing the road at traffic lights and the advantages and disadvantages of medicines. We also discussed how to keep ourselves safe on the internet.

Star of the Week



Core Values Champion



Year 6

Carriann for creating a fantastic report on The Victorians and being an amazing member of Y6 all the time!

James for showing responsibility and resilience in maths working with decimals. Well done!

Year 5

Electra for her hard work with her maths to improve.

Paige for showing resilience in her learning this week and trying hard.

Year 4

Neili for always following our school values and setting an amazing example.

Harrison for showing resilience and a positive attitude in tackling his maths challenges.

Year 3

Lucy for really making the effort to follow the core values

Willow for being a responsible learner and trying to improve her handwriting

Year 2

Kyla for an amazing first week at Westleigh. She has been a superstar!

Clayton for trying hard and showing resilience in all our lessons this week- especially maths and Freddy Fit!

Year 1

Neva for working independently in her writing.

Jayden for showing responsibility and relationships in PSHE.

Reception

Lacey for joining in with group activities.

Liliana for showing respect when working in the environment.

Nursery

Charlie for fantastic listening during story time.

Beatrice for showing resilience during her first week in Nursery.

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Reception: @ReceptionWLM

Year 1: @WLMYear1

Year 2: @WLMyear21

Year 3: @WLMYear3

Year 4: @WLMYear4

Year 5: @WLMYear5

Year 6: @WLMYear6