

Newsletter Friday 17th November 2023

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Information for Parents



What another great week at WFS. Yesterday we had an amazing turn out of parents to the 6th Form coffee morning. It was lovely to see just how independent the young people are, and the rocky road and bread pudding was awesome!!!

Last night on the news some of you will have seen an item regarding school minibuses and I thought I would clarify a few things about minibus travel at WFS. Only staff who want to drive minibuses do, and they have to not only have a clean driving license but complete a rigorous WCC Driving Test to obtain a WCC driving permit. If there are wheelchairs, the driver also has to undertake clamp training.



Some very important dates for your diary.

24th November - School Photo Day

1st December INSET day - school closed to all pupils.

9th December School Christmas Fair organised by the amazing Friends of Wyre Forest –
11.30am - 2.30pm.

10P News

Last week, 10P sold poppies and other items for the Royal British Legion poppy appeal. Everyone was very generous, and we sold lots of every different item. The favourite item was a reflective poppy that clips on to your lanyard or keyring. It was so popular, it sold out! We enjoyed using our speaking and listening skills with less familiar pupils and adults around school and by the end of the week, we were far more confident, so we even sold items to visitors that had come to our school! Stay tuned to future newsletters when we reveal the total amount raised!



OLIVE Class

Olive Class have had a brilliant forest school session this week planting saplings in the ground, they had to use special tools to dig the hole, plant the tree and cover it with soil. We can't wait to see them growing! Well done Olive Class.





Friends of Wyre Forest School

Our Christmas Fair is fast approaching, and we can't wait to see you all there. Santa and his elves will be landing on Saturday 9th December, and you can see them in Santa's grotto between 11:30am and 2:30pm.

We have lots of fun stalls, games and activities planned for all the family, including:

- * Traditional stalls, such as tombola, raffle, biscuit decorating, and craft stalls - including our very own Dancing Leaves!
- * The Friends of WFS pop-up gift shop selling wonderful Christmas gifts suitable for all
- * Food and drink stalls selling mulled wine, Baileys hot chocolate, craft beers, hot doughnuts, candy floss and burgers/hot dogs

There will also be guest performances from Kidderminster Male Choir and Olaf the snowman.

Moule Close will be joining our Christmas Fair this year and have some fabulous stalls planned, such as their very popular bottle tombola and guess the name of the teddy stall.

Christmas Fair raffle tickets will be coming home next week, so please check bags - we have some fantastic prizes up for grabs, including a luxury Christmas hamper and £50 M&S voucher.

If you'd like more information or would like to get involved and volunteer, please contact us via friendsofwyreforestschool@gmail.com



COMING SOON



Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes

Draw Date: Saturday 9th December 2023 at 2pm at the Christmas Fair

- Luxury Christmas Hamper
- £50 Marks & Spencer Voucher
- Copper Beech Brewery Gift Set
- Bottle of Baileys & Chocolates Gift Set
- Christmas Show tickets for The Civic, Stourport
- Family Pass to Hagley Park & Visitor Centre
- £99 Specsavers Gift Certificate (free frames up to £99 with free Ultraclear Superclean lenses)
- Island Pool Carvery & Pudding Voucher for 2
 - Wyre Pie Company Voucher
 - Anchors Away Soft Play Voucher
 - Blush Beauty Voucher
 - Wyre Forest Inclusive Cycling Voucher
- Wizard Wash Window/Guttering Clean Voucher

Tickets £1 each

Please return tickets & cash to the School Office by 3pm on Friday 8th December 2023
friendsofwyreforestschoo@gmail.com

6th Form Newsletter

Please follow this link and enjoy our 6th Form Newsletter

[Friday 17th November 2023 \(office.com\)](https://www.office.com)

CHESTNUT Class

On Friday, Chestnut Class took part in a number of Remembrance Day activities.

The children watched an assembly, coloured, and cut out their own poppies, used poppy red playdough and counted poppies.

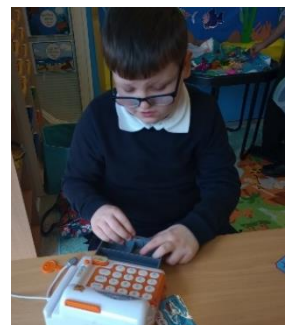
Chestnut Class also visited the school cenotaph and listened to the last post.



PEAR Class

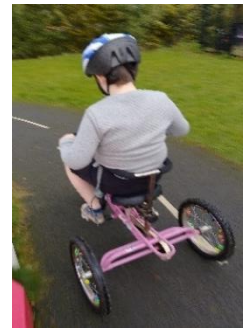
Pear Class are really enjoying their new Under the Sea role play area which is an aquarium - they have been taking their babies on day trips, cashiers have been selling tickets, exploring the fish tank display we have created and enjoying the touch tank tuff tray.

Some fantastic imaginative play Pear class - Well done!



LARCH Class

This week we ventured out to the bike track and had lots of fun learning how to pedal, steer and brake. It was quite tricky, but we all tried really hard and some of us got so speedy Nikki had to run to keep up with us!



BIRCH Class


'This week in Birch we have enjoyed exploring our theme of Disney. We have been practising our turn taking skills when using the Mr Potato Head.'





ONLINE SAFETY

REAL LIFE CRIME:

DO YOU REALLY KNOW WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE?

 Monday 27th November 2023

 6:30pm to 7:30pm

 Join via Microsoft Teams

Hear from Detective Chief Inspector, Tony Garner (West Mercia Police), who will share real life stories of how children, like yours, are coming to harm in the digital age.

You will be given an insight into the impact the online world has on a child's brain by Dr Burke, Forensic Psychologist.

During this conference, you will learn how you can prevent children from coming to harm from their exposure to the online world in three easy steps.

This event has been organised by Dean Salisbury (Vice Principal, Sutton Park Primary School) and Scott Crane (Safeguarding Lead).


Online grooming can start within 59 seconds as child sexual abuse images double

The mother of a teenager who took his life because of online bullying has urged others not to ignore the issue.

Online 'backdoor' lets child abusers in home, investigation finds


Online Child Pornography skyrockets

Online roulette: the popular chat sites that are drawing in children and horrifying parents



Click here or scan the QR code to book your place

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP



Uniform Swap Shop

Wyre Forest School Uniform Swap Shop!

DONATIONS WELCOME

The swap shop will be available at the start and end of the school day (weather permitting) outside the new playground equipment.



Absolutely anyone is welcome to use and donate preloved uniform. Please help us to continue to help as many families as possible by donating the uniform your child has outgrown. Why throw your uniform away if it is in a good condition?

If your child comes on transport and you would like to access the scheme please contact the supporting families team.

YEW Class



This week Yew Class have been learning all about Diwali, doing Diwali dances, making Diya lamps, rangoli patterns in our sensory play, tasting food and exploring our Diwali themed treasure basket.



ELM Class



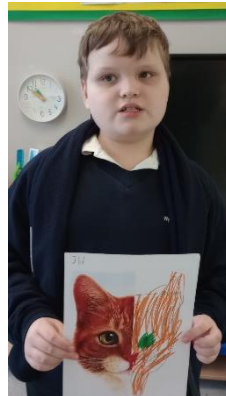
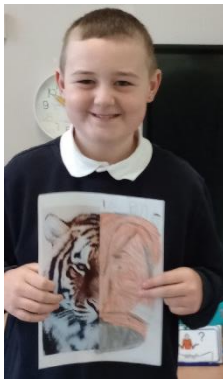
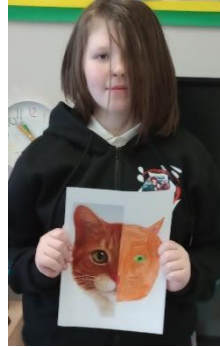
This week in Elm Class we have engaged in lots of physical activities exploring different spaces around school for example the playground, soft play suite and the climbing frame in our PE hall. The children have demonstrated excellent physical skills.



We have also enjoyed celebrating Children in Need and have taken part in different craft activities throughout the week. Well done Elm Class.

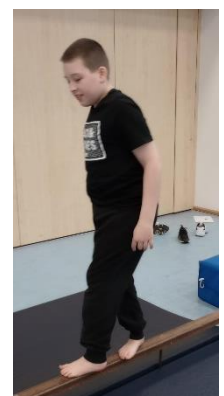
OAK Class

This week in the world about us, we have been categorising, classifying, and grouping different animals and identifying similarities and differences between them. We have also been learning about different patterns in art and the children have done some amazing symmetry drawings.



FIR Class

This week in Fir Class we have been working hard in PE at walking at different heights and testing out balance. We walked across benches and low beams to a mat at the end.



LEMON Class

Lemon Class observed Remembrance last week through an exploration of poppies. We engaged with a poppy themed sensory tray, made poppy biscuits and poppy prints with paint and stampers as well as used the big screen to watch poppies blow in the breeze in pretty fields.



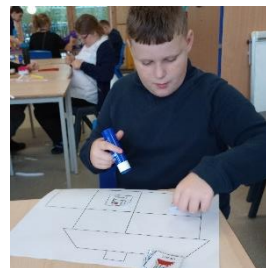
This week, we have been celebrating World Nursery Rhyme Week and we have been very busy indeed! We have completed crafts themed around different favoured Nursery Rhymes including Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, Hickory Dickory Dock, and The Wheels on the Bus in Expressive Art & Design. To develop our Communication, we have been choosing songs via the big plasma screen in class such as Old Macdonald and have accessed different learning activities around the room linking to Nursery Rhymes such as ordering the 10 Green Bottles and building a wall for Humpty Dumpty. Well done for a great week Lemons!



WALNUT Class

In literacy this week Walnut Class have been using describing words, to write about how different characters look.

In the world about us the children have been talking about what items use electricity and the dangers involved.



APPLE Class

Wow! Apple Class have had a very busy week with celebrating Diwali and Nursery Rhyme Week. But firstly, on behalf of Apple class I would like to give a big welcome to our new teacher Charley. We hope you have enjoyed your first few days with us and can already see how amazing we are!

We have celebrated Diwali by having a sensory rangoli pattern tray with rice, using paint to make henna patterns on hand cut outs and looking at a Diwali story on our interactive whiteboard.



Whilst we have listened and watched a variety of nursery rhymes this week, we also made our very own Humpty Dumpty's and had to use plasters to fix poor Humpty. The children found it more fun actually putting the plasters onto themselves.

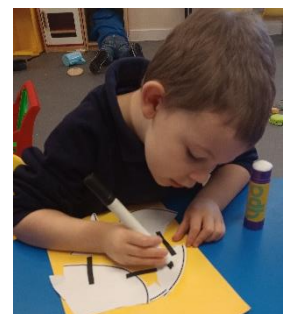


Autism Training



ORANGE Class

This week Orange Class have been celebrating Nursery Rhyme Week; we have been singing row, row, row your boat, jack and jill, head shoulders knees and toes, hickory dickory dock and wheels on the bus. We also had a go at putting Humpty Dumpty back together with plasters, we have developed our body awareness with head, shoulders, knees, and toes and been making messy marks to wheels on the bus.



Russell House News

We have been very busy this week. We have been to youth club, made sausage rolls and did some work for anti-bullying week. Following a request from one of our students we went rock climbing at Wyre Forest Leisure Centre, our students did so well, some even reaching the top. We went to cricket where we practiced our batting skills. We have been lucky enough to secure a monthly slot at The Snoezelen, yesterday we enjoyed time in the white room and soft play.



NOVEMBER 2023	
17	Children In Need Day
21	ASC Training Parent Pop-In 1.30pm – at Russell House
24	School Photo Day
30	Friends of WFS - Christmas Fair Dress Down Day

Please note: all the above dates / times are subject to change.

Please can we remind all Parents & Carers to keep the school office updated with any change of details, i.e, telephone numbers, addresses, list of contacts. Thank you