



Wesley Methodist Primary School



Weekly Newsletter: WC 4th March 2023

What a week we have had - it has been an incredibly busy and amazing week at Wesley filled with a range of fantastic opportunities over the week. The children have been wonderful, trying their best in all they do and certainly 'doing all they can'. We are very proud of the children at Wesley and the offer that they get, from their learning in lessons to the extra opportunities that take place.

Worship

During collective worships this week we have been focusing on 'shining like a star with joy'. During our collective worship we looked at what joy means in our school – celebrating our achievements both big and small and those of others too. The children were able to give a range of reasons for why they may feel joy and then we looked at a video on how joy can be shared. We were then able to spend time showcasing how we will show joy through school this week and that was certainly displayed in the star awards at celebration assembly.



PTA Easter Bingo

A letter has come out with details on how to get tickets for our upcoming Easter Bingo on Thursday 21st March 6-8pm. This event is always sold out – so please ensure you get tickets as soon as they are available. Tickets will be on sale before and after school next week on **Thursday 14th and Friday 15th March**. £3 for an adult and £2 for a child. It is a wonderful community event and lots of chocolate up for grabs plus a raffle!

Kurling Superstars!

This week, a team of our girls from Year 4 and 5 went to the Bury Kurling Championships at Bury Grammar School. They played against 14 other schools in a really tough competition. Throughout the competition the girls showcased wonderful teamwork, played with spirit and integrity. They made us incredibly proud and not only did they represent Wesley in the best possible way, they even went and won the whole tournament! An amazing success by the girls, and on a week where we are focusing on 'joy' and celebrating our achievements it could not be more perfect. Well done, girls.





Freddy Fit – Playleader training

On Tuesday this week, our Year 5 children were put through their paces on playleader training with Freddy Fit! It was an incredible day and our children excelled in their training and will make wonderful playleaders. There is now an application process they will go through to be selected as playleaders and those who get through will be supported by Year 6 pupils over the summer term and will then become our new school playleaders from September 2024. We also have Freddy Fit joining us again on Tuesday 12th March for our whole school Wellbeing day

where every child will be involved in a session!

Biggest Ever Girls' Football Session

This week we took part in England Football's sporting initiative to get all of our girls in school playing football. This was the biggest ever girls football session across the UK and every girl at Wesley from Reception to Year 6 took part in a special football activity with Coach Lewis. Whilst the girls did this the boys had another activity within the classroom, but it was amazing to have every single girl involved – we then also celebrated International Woman's Day on the same day. A wonderful day for all our of our incredible girls here at Wesley!



and spear throwing activities. It was an amazing experience for our Year 5 and 6 children following their recent topic of the Vikings and the work completed on the text 'Viking Boy'.



A real Viking visited Year 5 and 6

This week we had Olaf the Viking visit us to talk to the children all about life as a Viking during this time and their impact on Great Britain. The children also learnt more about this time period with the inclusion of the Anglo-Saxons. During the visit, children were able to handle historical artefacts, learn about Viking times and also be involved in Viking battle with shield formations



Attendance

At Wesley we see Attendance as crucially important to the success and progress our children make. The more time our children are in school the better progress they will ultimately make. We celebrate attendance on a weekly basis and each class has the opportunity to earn money for their end of year treat. Attending school more gives all children the best possible chance to keep up with their work, achieve better results and the possibility of developing further friendship and social skills.

Number of days off school a year	Percentage attendance	Number of lessons missed	Level of concern
0 days	100%	0	Perfection
2 days	99%	10 lessons	Excellent
5 days	97%	25 lessons	Good
10 days	95%	50 lessons	Slight concern
20 days	90%	100 lessons	Concern
30 days	85%	150 lessons	Significant concern

We will be really working hard on attendance this term and to ensure that all children are in school every day.

Our attendance winners this week are: Reception Sissay with 100%

Class name	Average attendance this week
Reception Sissay	100%
Reception Neville	94.9%
Year 1 Peel	91.7%
Year 1/2 Wood	90.4%
Year 2 Rashford	96.6%
Year 3 Garvey	94.8%
Year 3/4 Walsh	96.6%
Year 4 Lowry	93.8%
Year 5 Boyle	90.5%
Year 5/6 Turing	94%
Year 6 Pankhurst	96.4%

World Book Day at Wesley

This Friday we celebrated World Book Day at Wesley and saw amazing costumes throughout school. It was a wonderful celebration assembly with every class doing a catwalk to show off the incredible outfits of both children and staff! It was a fantastic turnout of costumes and wonderful to see reading celebrated over the day. Children took part in a range of book related activities over the rest of the day and celebrated the importance of reading. We had competitions in class for best day and even a best dressed staff award. Every child will also have received book vouchers. We have our book fair joining us very soon and we will be offering parents the opportunity to come and share a book with your child(ren) from 3pm on various dates that will come in a future letter. There will be a variety of photos uploaded to twitter very soon from World Book Day so please do check @wesley_primary out to see more!



Red Nose Day

You will have received a separate letter about Red Nose Day which we will be celebrating on Friday 15th March 2024. We are asking for everybody to donate £1 to this incredible cause that supports projects across the UK and the world to improve the lives of our young people. We ask that every child wears RED and they can do 'something funny for money' by having a crazy hairstyle or outfit. We will also be running a 'Great Wesley Bake Off' where we invite you to create an amazing cake at home and bring it into school on the Friday to be judged with prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. We can't wait to see your outfits and cake creations!

Abbeyfield visit

This week Year 4 Lowry visited Abbeyfield care home to join in with their ABBA fundraising event. The children took some inspired art work and joined in singing some songs! Abbeyfield even donated £100 to school for their effort in the fundraising – amazing work done by some very special children indeed!





Star Award

The following children received their Star Award this week:

Reception Neville: **Enzo**

Reception Sissay: **Lily**

Year 1 Peel: **Alfie A**

Year 1/2 Wood: **Amelia B**

Year 2 Rashford: **Harley**

Year 3 Garvey: **Roman**

Year 3/4 Walsh: **Amber R**

Year 4 Lowry: **Leela**

Year 5 Boyle: **Taylor**

Year 5/6 Turing: **Riley**

Year 6 Pankhurst:

These children have done amazing:
“shining like stars with joy”.

Gold Award

The following children received their Gold Award this week:

Reception Neville: **Roman**

Reception Sissay: **Milo**

Year 1 Peel: **Cora**

Year 1/2 Wood: **Emme**

Year 2 Rashford: **Scarlett**

Year 3 Garvey: **Albie**

Year 3/4 Walsh: **Ellie-Mae**

Year 4 Lowry: **PJ**

Year 5 Boyle: **Brooke**

Year 5/6 Turing: **Sammy**

Year 6 Pankhurst:

Well done to all of these children – we are so proud of you!

