

Newsletter 28 – Summer 1



Wistaston Academy
Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday		International Firefighters' Day
Tuesday	Y4B Swimming Lesson	
Wednesday		
Thursday	Town Sports field events practice at Ruskin High School	
Friday	Activities to celebrate Sir David Attenborough's 100 th birthday	World Red Cross Day
Advanced Notice:	SATs Week- Monday 11 th May-Thursday 14 th May Friday 15 th May Y6 Water Fight	
Polite Notice:	Please note the school office opens at 8.30am each morning and is manned until 4.30pm. Before and after these times, there will be no access to the Main Reception area.	

We are Brilliant Winners

EYFS: Rayan (RA), Iza (RB)

KS1: Theodore (1A), Olivia (1B), Jeremy (2A), Mollie-May (2B)

KS2: Layla (3A), Rhys (3B), Paisley (4A), Jenson (4B), Wiktorina (5A), Gabriel (5B), Layla (6A), Hendrix (6B)

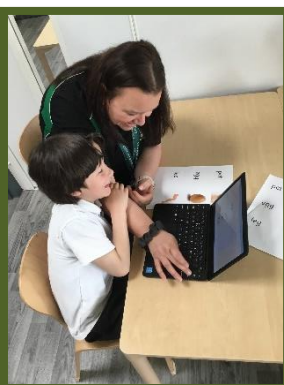
Hub 1

We're continuing to practise for sports day and this week it was the turn of the egg and spoon race! We had lots of fun trying our hardest to keep the egg on the spoon and making sure it didn't drop to the floor. It's a good job they weren't real eggs.



Hub 2

This week, we had a go at using the laptops. Children learnt how to open up the screen, how to turn it on and how the mouse works. Some children were also able to type words with our focus sound 'e' in. Others had a go at pressing the keys, watching as the letters appeared on the screen.



Hub 3

This half-term, the children have been learning the story of The Gigantic Turnip. They have learnt how the humans and the animals worked together to pull up the gigantic turnip, when nobody could do it by themselves. This afternoon we have played a game of tug-of-war where the children had to grab the rope and pull Miss Hall over from her side of the classroom. One child on their own wasn't able to do it but, when all of the children worked together, they could easily pull Miss Hall and win the battle!



Hub 4

What a beautiful week. We have enjoyed completing puzzles linked to our learning outside in the mornings and playing with the sensory trays in the afternoon.



Nursery 1

This week in Nursery, we have been practising our mark making. First, we used scarves to move to the music. Next, we got some chalks and practised in our outdoor area. Then, we used pens and made some marks on big paper.



Nursery 2

This week in Nursery, we solved a problem. First, we discussed how we did not want the birds to eat our beanstalks, strawberries and potatoes that we are growing. Next, we decided we could make a scarecrow to scare away the birds. Then, we thought about what we would need to make a scarecrow. Finally, we made a scarecrow.



Reception

This week in Story World, we had a visit from Jane who is an entomologist. We shared our knowledge of caterpillars and butterflies and convinced Jane that we could look after the caterpillars for her. We are looking forward to watching the caterpillars transform into butterflies.



Year 1

This week we have explored all of the vegetables from the story 'Oliver's Vegetables'. We re-enacted the story using 'Story Clock'. Then, we used our knowledge of the text to write a re-tell of the story. We have been working on using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

Finally Oliver found the potatoes because they were the last ones to be there. They cut the potatoes. Oliver and his family had chips for tea.

- Oliver was eating chips, suddenly
- his Mother said "Hurry up Oliver, or we will miss the bus."
- "Can we walk, to Grandpa's house?" he asked.
- "No" said his Mother "Hurry up" Oliver said "I don't like vegetables, I only eat chips." He said when he saw the vegetable patch and all of

First Oliver wanted to find the potatoes, but he could not see any. Oliver found bright green leaves and pulled up a orange carrot. He tried it, he liked it. he ate it all up. On Saturday Oliver found peas. He had pea soup that night. Grandpa asked "Did you like that?" ✓

Year 2

This week, we went to investigate a local woodland habitat. We looked at our school on a map and plotted a route that would take us to the nearest woodland. When we were there, we looked for different plants that were growing in the woodland and thought about the conditions that they were adapted to.



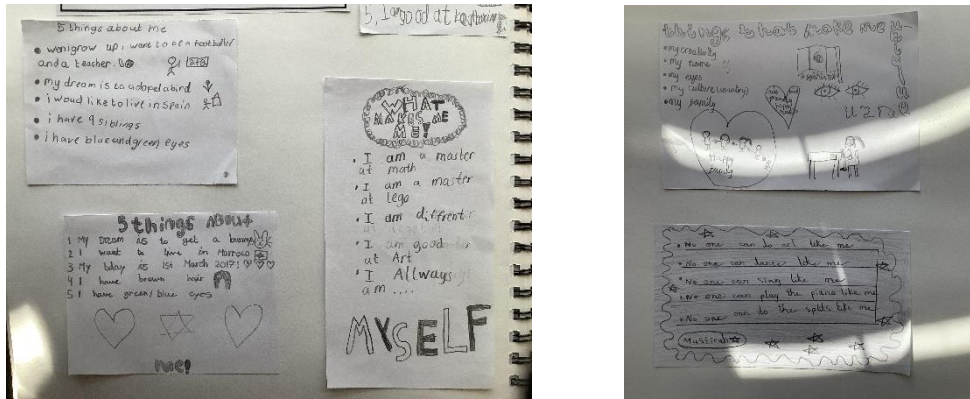
Year 3

This week, year 3 have had lots of fun learning about money!



Year 4

This week, we thought about what makes us unique in our PSHE lesson. We learnt that unique means being the only one of a particular type. For our activity, we wrote down things that we believe make us unique in different ways.



Year 5

This week, we have been exploring different types of strawberries and we have tested different strawberry dishes including cheesecake, trifle, mousse, scones and a piece of Victoria sponge cake. We evaluated the taste, appearance, texture and smell of these and decided which one was our favourite. We can now begin to think about what dish we want to make in DT.



Year 6

The children are working exceptionally hard in the build up to SATs. As a treat, we shared with them a letter that Jason King wrote to them. Along with the letter, was a gift for them all – a copy of a letter written by King George VI that all children received in 1945 when World War Two ended. As you can see, they are thrilled with Jason's response and their special keep-sakes.





We need your help!

We have applied to the Tesco Stronger Starts programme for a grant towards developing a library space in the Hub SEN provision. We will be competing against two other local projects and the project with the greatest number of votes, will win the most funding.

People can cast their vote by making a purchase at any of the following Tesco stores between the 28th April and the 31st July:

- Wistaston Crewe Express - Crewe Road, Wistaston CW2 6PR
- Crewe Arms Express – Station Approach, Crewe CW1 6DN
- Crewe Extra – Vernon Way, Crewe CW1 2DD

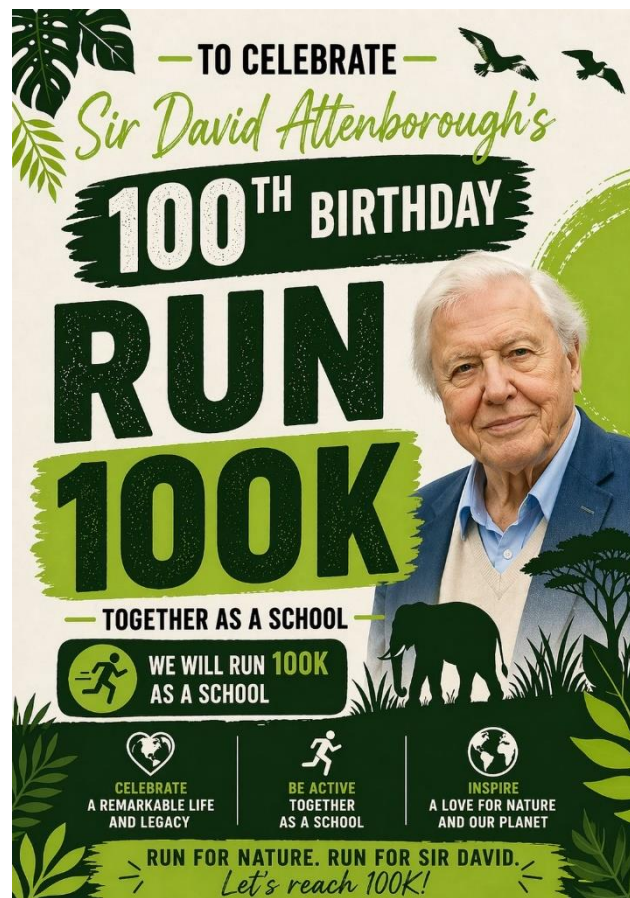
Once you have made a purchase, you will be given a blue token which you can use to make your vote in the instore voting boxes.

Please pass this information on to whoever you can as every vote counts.

Thank you for your help!

The Hub Team

PE News



On Friday 8th May we will celebrate Sir David Attenborough's 100th Birthday but running 100 kilometres as a school.

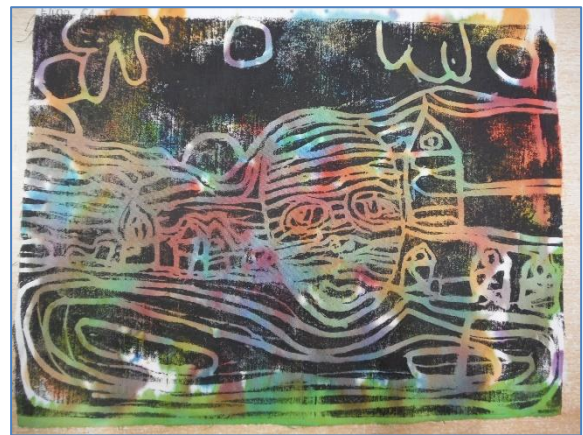
Competition kit

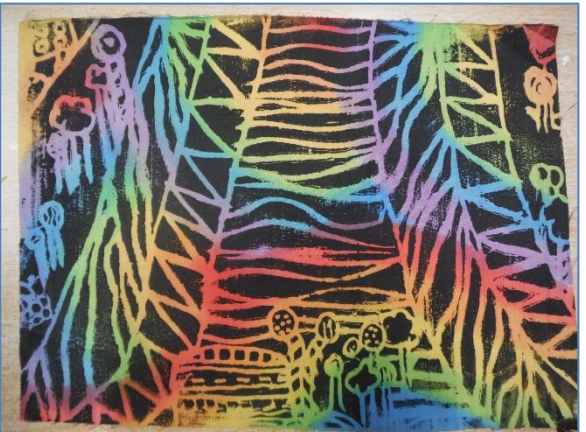
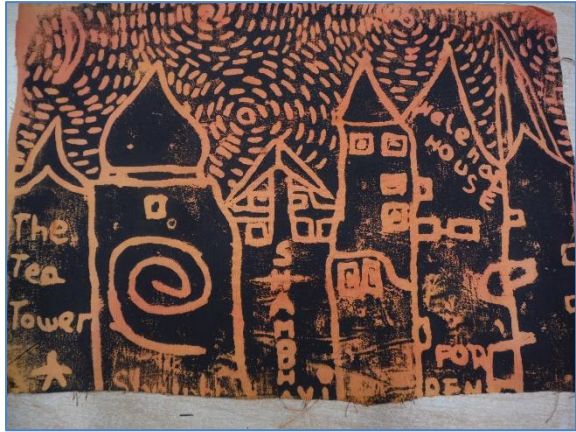
If your child has competed for school in a sports competition or festival and you still have competition kit at home, please can you return it to Mrs Adamczyk or your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Art News

Focus on Year 6

This week Year 6 created their final textile prints after practise-printing in sketchbooks last week. We learned from the process that we needed to dry up the ink carefully before printing and to apply firm, even pressure all over the block to have a clean result. The linear designs we had etched into our block were highlighted by the colours in which we had pre-painted our fabric with. Our finished pieces mirrored the dream-like, organic nature of our artist, Friedensreich Hundertwasser. We were delighted with our results!







Artwork by: Emilia,
Elina, James, Tamera,
Paisley, Lincoln,
Kaylub, Alona,
Shambhavi, Sam, Alfie,
Miran, Maryam, Inga,
Theadora, Yushi,
Grace and Olivia.

Competition!

We all know we should eat well and move more! "Everybody Health and Leisure" invite us to design a new logo for their campaign. All children have the opportunity to take part in this competition at home. The best entries will be selected and entered to represent our school. If a child from our school wins, their logo will become the new "Eat Well, Move More" official logo and their year group will receive a fun, active session from "Everybody Health and Leisure". Please see the poster below for details and tips. All entries to be given to Mrs Walsh by Monday 22nd June.

A colorful poster for a logo competition. At the top, it says "LOGO COMPETITION" in large blue letters. Below that, it says "Design a Logo for Cheshire East Eat Well Move More Partnership". The poster features a central text box with the following text: "Calling all Primary Schools in Cheshire East! We need YOUR creativity to design a brand-new logo for the Eat Well Move More Partnership – promoting healthy eating and active lifestyles." Below this is a table with five rows, each with a question on the left and an answer on the right. At the bottom, there are logos for "everybody HEALTH & LEISURE" and "Cheshire East Council".

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Calling all Primary Schools in Cheshire East! We need YOUR creativity to design a brand-new logo for the Eat Well Move More Partnership – promoting healthy eating and active lifestyles.

Who can enter?	All primary school students in Cheshire East. Schools are invited to run the competition within their classes and submit their best entries.
Prize:	The year group of the winning student will receive a FREE fun activity session delivered by Everybody Health & Leisure!
How to enter?	Students design a logo that represents healthy eating and moving more. Submit entries through your school (Stating your age) to: hayley.antipas@cheshireeast.gov.uk Deadline: 26/06/26
Design tips:	Make it colourful and fun! Think about fruits, vegetables, sports, and movement. Keep it simple so it works as a logo.
Contact details:	For queries, contact: hayley.antipas@cheshireeast.gov.uk .

Picture News

Every week in assembly we share the Pictures image and question with the children. This resource helps children to learn about the world around us, whilst linking to British Values and supporting pupil's personal development.

We hope this enables you to have an interesting conversation at home with your child.



In the news this week

New AI-supported glasses to help people with dementia or memory problems have won a £1 million prize. The glasses, made by the company CrossSense, can recognise objects and show labels or give spoken instructions to help people remember what things are and what to do. They use an AI assistant that learns how each person lives and adapts to their needs over time. Early tests show these glasses could help wearers feel more confident and independent in their daily lives.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your overall opinion on the glasses, do you think they are a good idea?
- In your opinion, is it better for people to get help from technology or from other people? Why?
- How might these glasses make someone feel more confident or independent?
- What technology do you use at home to help you? How does it help?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss



Maths News

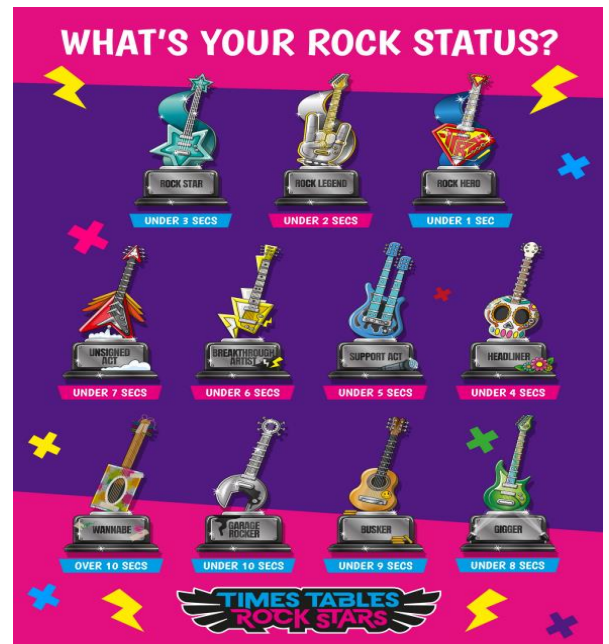
All children from Reception through to KS2 have access to an app called **Numbots**. This fantastic app supports children with their number fluency, allowing them to use efficient mental calculation strategies to add/subtract, so they don't rely on using their fingers!

If your child is in Years 2-6, they will also have access to an app called **Times Table Rocks Stars (TTRS)**, which supports knowledge of times tables and therefore builds confidence in multiplication and division.

Evidence tells us that logging on for **just a few minutes each day** will make a massive difference to their number fluency/times tables skills.

In school we award top 3 certificates and prizes to those children who are accessing Numbots and TTRS. We also recognise children who pass the different levels in Numbots and who gain new Rock Status' in TTRS!

Check out the dedicated website for parents to answer any questions on TTRS: , and the factsheet of FAQ's for Numbots: <https://static.numbots.com/data/pdf/NumBotsLaunchParentGuide.pdf> and https://strapi.ttrockstars.com/uploads/numbots_parent_guide_554ecf5cb5.pdf



Communities Timetable

MON

Social Drop In | 11 AM - 1 PM
28 Sherborne Rd

Men's Group | 1 PM - 3 PM
27 Sherborne Rd

**Her-Place School Uniform
Satellite Hub** | 10 AM - 2 PM
28 Sherborne Rd

TUE

Family Drop-In | 9.30 AM -
11 AM | Beechwood Primary
School

**Her-Place School Uniform
Satellite Hub** | 12 PM - 2 PM |
28 Sherborne Rd

Adults Social Group | 12 PM - 2
PM | 28 Sherborne Rd

After School Club (8-12yrs) |
4 PM - 5.30 PM | 27 Sherborne
Rd

Family Drop In | 9.00 AM -
10.30 AM | SWS School

Youth Hub (13-16) | 5.30 PM
- 7 PM | 189 Gresty Rd

WED

Family Drop-In | 9.30 AM -
11 AM | Maybury Centre,
West St

**Youth Club (Teens/Limited
Spaces)** | 4 PM - 5.30 PM | 27
Sherborne Rd

Youth Club / Gaming Bus |
4 PM - 5.30 PM | St Barnabus
Church Car Park

Afterschool Club (7-12yrs) |
4 PM - 5.30 PM | 189 Gresty
Rd

Youth Hub (13-16) | 5.30 PM
- 7 PM | 189 Gresty Rd

THU

**Listening Service (Call to
Book In)** | 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM
28 Sherborne Rd

**Her-Place School Uniform
Satellite Hub** | 10 AM - 12 PM
28 Sherborne Rd

Baby Milk Bank | 9 AM - 12 PM
28 Sherborne Rd

SAT

STEM Club (7-13yrs) |
11 AM - 12.30 PM | 189
Gresty Rd

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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07590 883049
tracey.bentley@ymcacheshire.org.uk

CONTACT BEVERLEY ●
01270 257673
beverley.cope@ymcacheshire.org.uk

Upcoming Events

Police & Guinness Housing Surgeries | 14th April (11am),
21st May (4pm), 17th June (11am) | 28 Sherborne Rd ●

Llandudno Trip | 18th April ●

Breast Cancer Pop Up Event | 27th April | 11am | 28 Sherborne
Rd ●

Local MP Connor Naismith Drop In Surgery | 21st May | 3pm ●

Family Bingo | 26th May | 6.30pm | YMCA Cheshire,
189 Gresty Rd ●

Movie Time | 29th May | 10am | YMCA Cheshire, 189 Gresty Rd ●

Summer Holiday Clubs | 11am - 2pm | Every Monday &
Tuesday in August! | 27 Sherborne Rd ●

Family Fun Day (Climbing Wall & Free Hot Dogs) | 18th August |
11am - 2pm | Pocket Park, Sherborne Road ●

**Her—
Place**
Charitable Trust



Fairy Prom Mother Event

2026

Join us for an event to make all of your prom dreams come true!

Location: St Mary's Caritas centre, 65 Delamere St, Crewe, CW1 2JX

Date: Saturday 16th May

Time: 1-3.30pm

No booking or referral needed, free to attend, pop in any time.

Pre-loved prom dresses, suits, accessories, shoes all available for a small donation.

Plus support, styling tips, and advice for hair and make-up to help you feel confident and prom-ready!

For more information contact us at...

Hub@Her-Place.co.uk

01606 557 666

Carer Catch-Up Calls

Are you a carer who is:

- Looking for a friend?
- Living in a rural area?
- Socially isolated or know somebody who is?

Then our team are here for you to chat to.

If you'd like to chat to our team, or find out more information about our Carer Catch-Up Calls, you can contact us on:

0300 303 0208

enquiries@cheshireeastcarershub.co.uk

You do not need to have received any previous support from us to have a chat with our team. You can easily sign up with the hub by calling the number below or emailing us.

**Cheshire
East** The logo for Cheshire East Carers' HUB features the text 'Cheshire East' in a large, bold, white sans-serif font. To the right, the words 'Carers' HUB' are written in a smaller, teal sans-serif font, enclosed within a teal speech bubble shape.

The logo for 'making space' features the words 'making space' in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font. Above the word 'space' is a graphic of two overlapping hearts, one in blue and one in orange. Below the main text is the tagline 'Kind hearted care and support' in a smaller, white, sans-serif font.
making space
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YMCA CHESHIRE

GARDENER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteer gardeners wanted for a project to help transform green space in time for summer.

No Experience Needed

18+

Full DBS & Insurance Covered By Us

Reference Provided By Us

Free Use Of Our Gym Facilities

YMCA

Here for young people
Here for communities
Here for you

For more information, email Laura at
laura.sharrock@ymcacheshire.org.uk.