

WPS School Report

Easter 2017



F3 & F4 Production

PEACE CHILD



On Tuesday, we all enjoyed a fabulous performance of 'The Peace Child' from Forms 3 and 4. The children worked enthusiastically as a team to tell this wonderful story to a very appreciative audience. Congratulations to them all for their super acting and singing! Many thanks to Mrs Barton and Mrs Rundell for all their hard work.



Exam Success!

The children in Form 6 are now looking forward to their final busy and productive term at WPS before they move on to their chosen senior schools in September. Those who sat the independent senior school entrance examinations earlier this term have now received their all-important results and what a set of results they were! Children sat exams for a wide range of Manchester Consortium Schools (including AESG, Withington, Kings, Manchester High, Cheadle Hulme and Stockport Grammar) and Loreto Grammar School and their hard work was rewarded by 15 offers, including an academic scholarship and a music scholarship! All of the children in Form 6 have secured places at senior schools of their choice; we are incredibly proud of them and their success is richly deserved. Thank you to Mrs Hughes, Mr Lalley and all of the WPS team for their hard work and commitment in preparing the children for the next stage of their education.



F3 & F4 Trip to Sainsbury's



This term in KS2, the children have been involved in a number of exciting Design Technology projects. As part of the F3 and F4 Food technology unit, the children went to Sainsbury's to experience life 'behind the scenes' and research food products for their project- designing and making a healthy cereal snack.

Children in F4 were also given the opportunity to experience using the tills as checkout assistants!



Form 6 have been working on some super working model vehicles. During this unit on 'Mechanical Systems' they were involved in designing and making an electrically powered model vehicle. Their final pieces, ranging from Porsches to vintage cars are fantastic- well done Form 6!

KS2 Trip to Liverpool Philharmonic Hall

Recently all our KS2 children had the treat of going to Liverpool to see the city's famous Philharmonic orchestra in action.

During the afternoon, they learnt about composers from different periods and listened to the amazing sounds of stringed, woodwind, brass and percussion instruments.



A big thank you to Mrs Rundell for organising this wonderful experience for the children.



Clubs & Activities

Clubs and activities will recommence week beginning 1st May 2017.

All details will be sent out next term.



Merits & Courtesies

Silver Merit

Well done to the following children who have earned their silver merit badges this week: Liv, Sophia & Ellie in F1 and Georgina in F2.

Silver Courtesy

Well done to the following children who have earned their silver courtesy badges this week: Darcie, Holly, Ruby, Noah, Joshua and Lola all in F1.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Many Happy Returns to the following children who celebrated their birthday this week or will celebrate during the holiday.

Lilia F5 Oscar Rec
James Olivia & Liberty KG
Darcie F1
Ariana F2



Stars of the Week



Wishing you all a very Happy Easter and a restful and relaxing holiday.

Term recommences Tuesday 25th April 2017.

Please remember, children should wear their summer uniform.



F1 & F2 Trip To Dunham Massey



Forms 1 and 2 travelled back in time, metamorphosing into servants from the Victorian era. Their tasks included learning how to master the challenge of washing clothes using a mangle and dolly blue, baking gingerbread and cleaning silver. The children were also given the opportunity to meet Lady Stamford as they made their bows and curtsies to her in character.

Against the stunning backdrop of Dunham Massey House, in the beautiful gardens, we became detectives, helping the head gardener to track down the poacher who had so far evaded capture. After many interviews and key clues being analysed, we learned that all was not as it seemed and deduced that Sam the poacher needed help rather than punishment.

The children's impeccable behaviour was commented upon by members of the public adding the perfect ending to a super day. We would like to thank our parent helpers who gave up their time to embark on this adventure with us.



World Thinking Day

Wednesday 22nd February is the birthday of Robert Baden-Powell and is celebrated by Scouting and Guiding Groups as Founder's Day or World Thinking Day.

The children who are members of Scouting and Guiding Groups were able to wear their uniforms for School to mark this special event.



House Music Competition 2017

On Friday 20th March we held our annual WPS House Music competition. Key Stage 1 children and Form 3 performed in the morning and Forms 4, 5 and 6 had their turn in the afternoon. It was amazing to see the development from children who have only just started to play to children who have been learning for several years. All of the children were brave enough to play for an audience and show the range of instruments they have been learning from piano and guitar to singing with some wind instruments as well. The adjudicator, Mrs Ellie Horrigan, from Manchester High School was very impressed and gave helpful comments and praise.

Many thanks to Mrs Rundell and her fantastic team of peripatetic teachers who have taught the children so well. We would also like to thank the parents for supporting their children and encouraging them.



ISA High 5

On Monday 6th March, Form 6 took part in the ISA High 5 netball competition at Hulme Hall School.

The girls all played extremely well and as a result finished 2nd in their competition, which was a fantastic achievement and showed how hard they worked together as a team.

A special mention for Ali who was spotted as one of the three outstanding netballers from all who took part on the day by the North assessors.



World Book Day

WPS book lovers have been celebrating their favourite stories once again as World Book Day achieved its 20th anniversary, earlier this half term.

The annual celebration of authors, illustrators and reading is marked in more than 100 countries around the world.

The event sees children all over the UK receive precious book tokens .

Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment every day not only perform better in reading tests than those who don't, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures.

It's the biggest celebration of its kind, designated by UNESCO as a world-wide celebration of books and reading, and marked in over 100 countries all over the world.

The main aim of World Book Day is to encourage children to explore the pleasures of books and reading by providing them with the opportunity to have a book of their own.



EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade

Our Easter Bonnet Parade proved once again, to be a triumph of design and imagination. The children modelled their hats whilst our visitors enjoyed afternoon tea. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this event such fun.



Junior Dance Festival



Form 5 and 6 performed in the ISA Dance Competition on Thursday 16th March which was held at Bowdon Prep.

The Form 6 girls showcased a lively routine to the call of "Timber" and the girls in Form 5 performed a very moving routine to the song "A Thousand Years".

Well done to the girls as they had all worked very hard on choreographing their routines and selecting their costumes.



This year our Red Nose Day collection raised a magnificent £328.70. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations.



Monday 27th March saw a team of netballers from Form 3 comprising Ophelia, Aston, Grace, Ayesha, Jessica, Alliya and Sophia heading off to AESG to take part in a Netball Festival against 6 other Prep Schools.

The girls played particularly skilfully and sharp shooting from Aston and Sophia saw them winning against Pownall Hall, Greenbank and Bowdon Prep.

They drew against Ladybarn and Bowdon Church and were unlucky to lose to AESG after one of our girls had to retire due to injury which AESG then capitalised on to score the one goal that gave them the win in the dying seconds of the game.

Overall the girls finished in 2nd place; a superb achievement. Thanks to all the supporters who came along to cheer the girls on what was a lovely afternoon in the sun.

F3 Netball



This term the children in Key Stage 2 have been having a lot of fun playing Bananagrams as part of our Gifted and Talented programme. This is a UK Schools competition, and photos and a chart of the children in each round have been displayed outside the Form 6 classroom. This year our "Top Banana" was Ruby and she is now taking part in the Online Round. The top 12 players on the national leader board will be invited to London for the Grand Final in April.

Good luck to Ruby and well done to everyone for taking part.

