



PE WITH PARENTS

Last term it was Year 4 but in February the parents of Year 5 were invited in to school to take part in a Physical Education lesson. Children and parents took part in tri-golf and archery activities in order to promote the importance of leading a healthy and active lifestyle. The session was enjoyed by all who participated.



WILKINSON! SPEED SENSATIONS!

Cross Country Club continued to meet and held two competitions before Covid 19 put a stop to all further competitive running. The Cross Country teams took part in a relay competition held at Tettenhall College, Wolverhampton on the 1st February 2020. The girls and the boys ran magnificently allowing Wilkinson to come fourth overall from a field of twenty teams. On March 17th we attended Bilston Primary School for the local area race. Again, the pupils from Wilkinson showed how much training they had put in over the season and were able to once again come first place in the Boys' race and were a brilliant second in the Girls' race. History was made at this race as one of our runners, Joshua, came first for the third year in a row. This has never happened in the history of the Bilston race. The Cross Country Club continues to attract between 50 - 60 children on Tuesday and Thursday lunch time with an additional training session added on a Wednesday morning. We will sadly lose some of our best runners ever as they move on to their new secondary schools, but have a huge squad who will aspire to fill their spaces in the teams next year!



The incredible football team have had a sensational season managing to win all of their matches bar one. During the matches, the wonder goals have kept coming and the skills have kept on impressing! Each school has been wowed at the talent of our football team. However, each match was also played with utmost respect and sportsmanship from all, whatever the result may have been.

It is with great sadness that we will have to say goodbye to the members of our team that are in Year 6 – their efforts, skill, attitude, commitment, personalities will be missed hugely next year.

Their new schools will be lucky to have such outstanding players!

THE FORWARDS!



The results of the season are as follows:

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| Wilkinson v. Bilston | won 7-2 |
| Wilkinson v. Field View | won 8-0 |
| Wilkinson v. Holy Trinity | won 7-1 |
| Wilkinson v. Loxdale | won 5-4 |
| Wilkinson v. Stow Heath | lost 2-1 |
| Wilkinson v. Villiers | won 4-2 |

WILKINSON WREAK HAVOC AMONGST LOCAL TEAMS!

THE KEEPER !



THE DEFENCE!



THE MIDFIELD!



OUR WINGERS!



Wilkinson World!

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I hope that you are all keeping well, in what can only be described, as a unique lifetime experience. It is, no doubt, going to be a while until we return to normal school life. I hope that you are coping being at home, completing lots of school work and remembering to have some fresh air and exercise.

Although, being at home for a long period of time can be very hard, it is the best and quickest possible solution for everyone getting back to 'normal.'

I look forward to seeing you all soon, stay safe, keep healthy and make sensible choices.

Mrs Gibbon



Go to the PARENTS TAB - INTERNET SAFETY on our website for links to support online safety



Please supervise your children whilst they are using technology

Go to the OUR LEARNING tab - HOME LEARNING on our website for links to learning

These are updated with new sites as we come across them so please check regularly

Reminder: Children can access a range of mathematics activities whilst at home:

Symphony Maths can be accessed by all children from Reception upwards. Children have been given usernames and passwords by their teachers. **My Maths** activities can be accessed by children from Year 2 upwards. Children have been given usernames and passwords by their teachers. **Maths With Parents** can be accessed by children from Year 1 upwards. They have been given an information sheet with details of how the programme can be used. Class codes are on this sheet as well as being recorded on the class pages on our website.

Children in Early Years can access daily activities on the **TenTown** website.

Free online reading activities are available at [oxfordowl.co.uk](https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk)

David Walliams has a free daily audio book: <https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/>

Visual and Audio Books <https://www.storylineonline.net/>

Free Audio stories for children at <https://stories.audible.com/>

Sound Recognition Squiggle Park <https://www.squigglepark.com/squigglepark/>

Phonics <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/6>

Daily speed sound lessons <https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/help-during-school-closure/>

Lots of fun science ideas <https://learning-resources.sciencemuseum.org.uk/>

A range of educational games can also be accessed on **Purple Mash**.

Jump Start Jonny and PE with Joe Wicks can be found on You Tube each day at 9.00am for fun physical activity!

Longboat Learning for all! This term children across school brought in their wellies and headed outside to help build our new outdoor classroom! During the Autumn term, Year 5 were busy building Viking Longboats in their DT lessons when they had the idea to build on a much bigger scale and for what better purpose than an outdoor classroom for all to enjoy. They contacted an environmental artist, rallied around approaching every class in school for their help and it was a success! Children worked in small groups to help build the willow longboat with the help of Chris from Willow Arts. The art work is complete and it's now time for the willow and plants to grow whilst we are away from school.

The final stage will be to fit the sail and we can then start enjoying our outdoor classroom on our return to school!

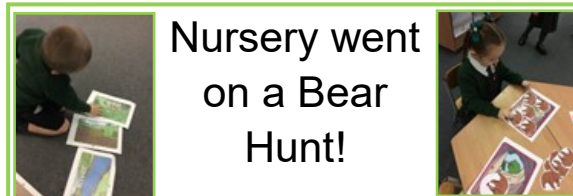


WillowArts.co.uk
Environmental Art



Bug House

In T42'S we have been hard at work making preparations for our bug house. We have been collecting different materials such as pallets, bricks, wood and bottles and have been planting to make our little creatures feel at home. We have enjoyed working as a team and always love to learn outside. We are hoping that some bugs move in whilst we are away from school and look forward to meeting them all on our return! Good luck bugs!



Nursery went on a Bear Hunt!

We have been learning all about different animals this term. We explored the book 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. We had lots of fun sequencing the story, going on our own bear hunt around school and watching the story on the interactive white board. The best part was taking part in our own 'Bear Hunt Day'. It started with a teddy bears picnic at school before getting on the minibuses and driving to Birmingham Town Hall. On the way we played i-spy and looked at all the different cars and buildings. Once there, we all sat nicely to watch the theatre production of the story, it was really interactive! There was snow falling from the ceiling, the actors got wet and some of us did too! It was a brilliant day and we were all very tired after our Bear Hunt.



Reception's Wildlife Adventure



This term, as part of our Animal Kingdom topic, we visited the Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park. We had a lovely day meeting all of the endangered animals cared for by the park rangers. We saw red pandas, meerkats, otters and tamarin monkeys, to name just a few. We used tally charts to record the animals' home continents and used maps to find our way around. We also enjoyed eating our lunch in the wildlife classroom and spending time relaxing on the play area. We loved our school trip and can't wait to go on many more adventures in the years to come!



The Great Fire of London

The children in Year 2 had a bit of surprise when a group of fire men came in to talk about The Great Fire of London. They tested our knowledge by asking us questions such as - Where did the fire start? What day did the fire start? Then we were split into two groups. The first group went outside to look at the magnificent fire engine and had the opportunity to ask lots of questions. Inside, the firemen told us all about the job of 1666. They were really impressed with our knowledge of the Great Fire. Once they had finished their talk, Miss Childs kindly volunteered to put on the smelly, dirty and heavy firefighter's kit! After that, the groups swapped over. The red fire engine was parked outside school with five firefighters standing proudly beside it. Then, one at a time, we were lucky enough to be use the hose to squirt water. This was so much fun!



Year 6 'Out of this world' Experience

On Tuesday 3rd March and Thursday 5th March, Year 6 were unbelievably fortunate to take part in an 'Out of this World' trip to the National Space Centre in Leicester. After a journey that seemed to take forever, we eventually arrived at the venue and couldn't believe our eyes when the first thing that we saw was an enormous rocket tower. We later learned that the iconic tower is home to the Blue Streak and Thor Able Rockets. On entering the building, we were amazed by the many exhibits and demonstrations that enabled us to experience life as an astronaut. From understanding about spacesuits and space travel, to experiencing and exploring the wonders of our universe sat in our seats in the famous Sir Patrick Moore Planetarium!

Year 6 enjoyed every minute of our remarkable voyage into the unknown and have learnt many new things that will last us a lifetime!



Birmingham Museums



Year 3 went on the minibuses to visit Birmingham Museum. Within our small groups our teacher took us into The Ancient Egyptian Exhibition. First, we saw a tomb of a young Pharaoh. The museum also displayed the process of mummification and explained the afterlife. Next, we looked at an Egyptian Funerary mask. There were many other artefacts on display. It was an amazing day!

by Leonidas



Year 1 parents were invited in to spend time with their child to learn more about phonics! The parents improved their knowledge of phonics and then played phonics games with the children. Remember - as you read together look for special friends, use your Fred fingers or break the word down into smaller chunks.



On Friday 28th February four children from Year Five travelled to Kings Edward's School in Birmingham to take part in two challenges to compete for The Borchard Shield.



In the cross-number challenge we did exceptionally well. However, we didn't do quite so well in the number relay activity and hope that, if we get the chance again, we will improve in this area. We all had a great afternoon, had lots of fun and enjoyed the challenge immensely.

Ryan, Finley, Lilly and Arjunvir

Children across school enjoyed participating in activities during Shakespeare Fortnight here at Wilkinson. Everyone had the opportunity to work alongside our visiting actors. Year 5 share their experience here with you.

The actors visited our school in order to help us develop and improve our class scenes from the play Macbeth. We were really fortunate to be able to work with them because Mr Neal had told us that they don't normally work with Primary School children but they just love to come and work with us! During our session, we were able to participate in a number of warm-up activities that helped to prepare our bodies and voices for the performance. These were really fun! As part of the session, we were also able to ask the actors questions about what they do, how they became actors and what their favourite/least favourite plays were. We were amazed to find out that one of them started acting on television when she was only 5 years old! It was an amazing experience to work with these professionals and amazing fun too!

