

WINHILLS Year 5 and Year 6 Fortnightly Newsletter

Year 5

Year 5 have been extremely busy over the last two weeks In English, the children have continued to learn about the journey of Sir Ernest Shackleton across the Antarctica. They have written some fantastic pieces of work including diaries in the role of the characters, newspaper reports, and motivational speeches. The work was supported by drama and role play as the children took on roles as characters on board the ship.

In maths, the children have been calculating perimeters of compound rectilinear shapes, which has included finding missing sides. They have also worked extremely hard to secure their fluency and speed of multiplication facts using TT rock stars.

In Science, the children have continued to look at plants, with a focus on lifecycles of both plants and animals.

Year 6

Year 6 have been working hard over the past few weeks, with lots of exciting activities across the curriculum.

A lot of time has been spent getting ready for the end of term production, 'Aladdin Trouble' (tickets available from the office now! Don't miss out!). The children have been busy learning lines for scenes and songs, learning how to act on a stage, and how to sing as part of a choir. The performance is really progressing well and they are all extremely excited to show you the finished product soon.

The children have also been getting ready for secondary school, and have started their transition units. In maths, the focus is on spirals, incorporating angles, shape and measurements, and in English, the focus is on descriptive writing.

Out of school events

Well done to the team of Year 5 and 6 children who visited Ernulf this week to compete in the Primary Science Challenge 2017. The children completed a number of scientific activities and worked excellently as a team, representing Winhills with pride.

There was also a great performance from the Year 6 boys cricket team who competed in the St Neots cricket festival. The team worked fantastically, encouraging and motivating each other, and came second overall. Well done!

Notifications

Please remember to bring a water bottle and sunhat <u>each day</u> especially as the weather is forecast to be hot and sunny.

Homework: both Year 5 and 6 are learning words (including songs) for homework—all songs are available on the Quartz class page, including the lyrics. Any children behind on Maths Whizz need to catch up over the next two weeks.

Sports day: KS2 sports day in on 6th July in the morning. Ensure your child has their PE kit, a water bottle, sun hat and suncream (if requited) on this day.

Year 6 transition days: on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th July, Year 6 will be on transition days at their chosen secondary school. Please take your child directly to the secondary school (not Winhills) on these days, in time for registration, remembering to take their 'All About Me' transition booklets.





