



# Wheeler Primary School

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## Newsletter – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to welcome the children back this week and they have been excited to tell us about all their adventures over the half term break. Thank you to all the children and parents who completed pumpkins and Halloween crafts and those that also made Bonfire Posters. Every child who took part in our Halloween competition received a small prize and it was a tough job choosing the class winners. Well done to everyone who took part.

### Sad News

It is with great sadness that I must inform you that Mrs S Graham (Teaching Assistant) has passed away following a long illness. Mrs Graham has worked at the school since 1999, where she was first employed as a Lunchtime Supervisor prior to becoming a Teaching Assistant. Her most recent role in the school was working in Breakfast Club and supporting children on a 1-1 basis. She was a wonderfully kind and generous lady who had a special talent for nurturing children and making them feel valued and celebrated. Mrs Graham loved her role in school and always had a sense of fun and smile for everyone. The whole school community send their thoughts and support to Mrs Graham's family at this sad time.

We have spoken to the children in a sensitive and supportive way by holding class circles. If you feel your child may need further support, then please do not hesitate to contact us as our dedicated Emotional Well Being Team are always on hand.

### Nasal Flu Vaccine – (not Covid)

The nursing team will be returning to school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November to complete **any pre booked** vaccines that they did not manage to administer prior to half term.

### After School Clubs and Tuition

The after-school clubs will begin the next week (From Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November). Your child will be notified if they have been given a place for their chosen club. Clubs will finish at 4pm and children will be dismissed from the main reception.

### Year 3- Amazing 'Mini Teachers'

Well done to our Year 3 children who used the pedestrian skills training to go and teach the Year 1 children this week. It was fantastic to see how well our Year 3 pupils had understood their training and how well they could teach this to our younger pupils.

### Bag for Life BIG question

Here is our first BIG question. Take some time over the coming BIG days to talk through this question with your family to help them explore our new Bag for Life focus, Ronnie Respect. This week's question is around the theme of similarities and differences Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2: **How are you the same as your friends? How are you different?** Years 3-6: **Why is it important to treat everyone equally, despite their differences?**

### Poppies

We have a small number of poppies and Remembrance items left for sale in school should your child wish to make a purchase. All proceeds go to the Royal British Legion. We look forward to our Year 4 children leading us through our Armistice Assembly next Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

### COVid Update

Public Health updates this week have informed us that rate across the city remain below that of the National Average. As a staff team we continue to test twice weekly and are wearing masks within the communal areas. The focus on regular handwashing, ventilation and additional cleaning remains.

We have a small number of cases in the wider school community and 'Warn and Inform' letters have been sent to anyone who may be classed as a contact. We continue to be extremely vigilant in school to do all we can to combat any potential transmission.

We always seek the most up to date advice from colleagues in Public Health and the advice remains that if your child has any of the following symptoms then they must seek a PCR Test . The most common symptoms are:

- **A temperature or 37.8 degrees or higher;**
- **A new continuous cough;**
- **A change to or loss of taste and smell.**

However, the most reported symptoms of the Delta variant include headache, sore throat, tiredness, and cold-like symptoms, so please be aware of these as well and seek testing if you are in any doubt. **This must be a PCR Test.**

The Lateral Flow Tests are only to be used for asymptomatic and not symptomatic cases. You can contact via email during out of hours by emailing : [Claire.mudd@hcat.org.uk](mailto:Claire.mudd@hcat.org.uk)

School Menu for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY
Meat Balls & Tomato Pasta Seasonal Veg Homemade Garlic Bread	Meat Pie with mashed potatoes Carrots & Broccoli	Lasagne Garlic Bread Seasonal Veg	Roast Chicken Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potatoes Seasonal Veg	Fish & chips served with mushy peas or beans bread and butter.	<b>Deli Bar</b>  <b>Homemade Bread</b>  <b>Jacket Potato</b> <b>Cheese, Beans, Tuna</b>  <b>Asstd</b> <b>Sandwiches/wraps</b> <b>Ham, cheese, Tuna</b>  <b>Fresh Fruit Salad</b> <b>Yoghurts</b> <b>Jelly</b> <b>Cheese &amp; Crackers</b>
<b>VEG OPTION</b> Veg Meatball Pasta in Tomato Seasonal Veg Homemade Garlic Bread  Chocolate berry sponge & custard	<b>VEG OPTION</b> As above with Vegetable Pie  Chocolate Shortcake and Custard	<b>VEG OPTION</b> Vegetarian Lasagne Garlic Bread Seasonal Veg  Raspberry Swirl Cake and Custard	<b>VEG OPTION</b> Veg Sausage Stuffing Pudding Roast Potatoes Seasonal Veg  Ice cream	<b>VEG OPTION</b> Vegetable nuggets served with chips, peas and bread and butter  Cooks Mix of Friday Treats	

**Key dates:**

- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Nasal Flu Vaccine catch up
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Anti Bullying Week
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December- Enterprise Fair
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December – F2 performances
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December- Red Base performances
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December- Year1 singing performance
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Year 2 performance
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Party day
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December- Carols around the tree and last day of term
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – School Re opens

**Many thanks for your continued support,**  
**Mrs Claire Mudd and the Wheeler Team**