

General News and Updates

A belated Happy Easter to you all, we hope you had a lovely time which will have been enhanced by the beautiful weather we were so lucky to have. This month began with our very first PTA run event - Easter bingo, which proved to be a great success, thank you all for supporting it, we are busy getting quotes so our new noticeboard can be made. Our eco group have been busy planting various things, making insect houses and thinking about how we can change our school grounds for the better. Ballot papers also went out for a new school governor, please see below for these results. So a busy month despite not being at school for 2 weeks of the month.



Road Works

Please remember that the roadworks start afresh on Thursday 2nd May, this time on the stretch of road outside the school. As we are not sure exactly how this will affect us, please ensure you leave extra time when dropping off and collecting your children. Please be aware that you will probably not be able to park outside the school and so you may wish to make plans for this eventuality as well. If we find out anything further we will send out information via MyEd.

Lunchtimes



Just a reminder that if children are bringing a packed lunch to school, they have to take home with them any uneaten food and wrappings. This is so that you are then aware of what your child/charge has or hasn't eaten and alerts you to any issues.

Maths Rocks Day

We are holding another 'Rock Day' to show that maths does indeed 'rock'!

We are inviting children to get dressed up as rock stars or, if they would prefer - to dress up as a number!

We are dedicating the whole day to maths based fun activities such as 'Who Wants to Be a Mathionaire', number treasure hunts and other such activities. We are asking for a £1 donation for the DRET inspiration fund which supports the academies in the trust with enrichment activities.



Dazzling Dance Club

This year, we are again running our dance club for KS2 children. The children have been working hard learning new warm up games and routines.

We have also started to put together a performance piece for the annual DRET dance festival that is coming at the end of the summer term. It is looking fabulous so far and we are excited to perform it for parents at Hull City Hall in July. This is a great experience for the children and will send out further details of how you can support this nearer the time.

PTA News



As you will be aware, the PTA sent out a survey about the breakfasts we serve at breakfast club. From the results of this survey we have now stopped providing sugar and have started introducing hot breakfasts. Mrs Gardiner has fed back that "Beans on toast has gone down really well. The children are enjoying a warm breakfast." The next addition to our hot menu will be scrambled egg on toast. The children have accepted that sugar isn't available without any fuss and the healthy changes have been a success. Our next big challenge will be organizing a summer fair. If any of you have ideas about what you would like us to include in the summer fair, please speak to one of the members or drop a note into the office.

Parent Governor Results

Thank you to all of you who voted in our recent parent governor elections. The results are:



Kerry Temple-Whitehead—14 votes

Jonathan Towle—0 votes

Richard Welsh—8 votes

There were no spoilt or invalid papers.

This means the new parent governor will be Kerry Temple-Whitehead and we send her our congratulations. We'd also like to thank Jonathon and Richard for standing as candidates as well.



Important Dates for Summer 1

Thursday 2nd May—Y5 Growing up Talks

Monday 6th May—Bank Holiday

Monday 17th May - Y3/4 Deep Sleepover

Thursday 23rd May—Maths Rocks Day

Friday 24th May—Break for half term

Advance dates

Monday 3rd June—Return to school

Friday 7th June—5Bu assembly 3pm

Tuesday 11th June—Y5 Big Fun meeting for parents, 3.45pm

Friday 14th June—5Ba assembly 3pm

Friday 21st June—Y5 Big Fun residential

Week beginning 1st July—Y5 Bikeability

Year 6 News—Super SATs Stars

Year 6 have worked extremely hard in order to prepare for their end of key stage tests! Their positive attitude to learning and resilient characters have enabled the pupils to confidently and maturely embed a vast range of prior knowledge and consolidate new learning. The children have thoroughly enjoyed a range of exciting revision sessions, including number discos, arithmetic relays and competitive GPS 'Team Challenges' – they can't wait to put it all into practice in May!

Year 5 News — Budding David Attenboroughs and Lifesavers

This month Year 5 have been really enjoying our Talk 4 Writing topic. We started off by taking an exciting tour of the school, watching the 'creatures' of Wold Academy in their natural habitat and writing a report to explain what we had discovered. In PSHE, we've been looking at being healthy and making healthy choices. One of our lessons was all about emergency aid and we learnt to put someone into the recovery position. The children all did very well.

Year 3/4 News — Wolds Got Talent

In Year 3/4 we kick started our new Talk Four Writing unit sharing our unique talents when we had a mini 'Wold's Got Talent'. We had a wide variety of acts performing from singers to dancers and comedians to magicians. Fun was had by all and we really enjoyed the show.

Year 2 News — Handwriting Have a Goes

In Year 2 at the moment we are really focusing on handwriting as our teachers would love it if we could leave Y2 with beautiful joined handwriting. We are thinking about making all our letters the correct size and how we can join them together. Some of us who need extra support, spend some time in small groups to improve our letter formation. Finally, we also have our handwriting homework sheets where we should all be practising forming our letters correctly and then joining them.

Year 1 News - Magnets

The staff and children in Year 1 were very excited to return to school last week and find some unusual eggs that had been left! We don't think the Easter bunny has left these ones though as they are rather large and mysterious looking. The children are busy using their imaginations to help make their work exciting. We would also like to announce the start of another exciting reading initiative to commence in the coming weeks. The children will have the opportunity to borrow books from our classroom libraries to read and share at home. More information to follow very soon!

F2 News — Entering the Stone Age

F2 have been very fortunate to have the opportunity to watch some chicks hatch. Six eggs arrived in an incubator and we watched them grow into little chicks. We had the chance to hold them, feed them, and we even tried to have a chick race, but they were much more interested in children's shoe laces! After two weeks, the chicks had grown rather big and had to go back to the farm. We will miss them. In the meantime, we have been learning about The Royal Family. We have researched the Royal Family, read the story 'The Queen's Hat', and we drew portraits of the Queen. We're looking forward to our Royal Tea Party next week.

NEWSFLASH: Six new eggs have arrived. I wonder what they could be? They look different to the chick eggs. Please post your thoughts on Tapestry. We look forward to hearing from you.

F1 News — Growing and Moving On

Foundation 1 and The Beehive had a fabulous time taking care of the baby chicks. We were able to watch them hatch and all had chance to hold the chicks. It was sad that the chicks had to go back to the farm after 2 weeks, but they were growing bigger and needed more space. This term we are going to be having duck eggs to look after and hopefully some ducklings.

We are really pleased that many of our Foundation 1 children have been allocated a school place at Wold Academy. This term we will be having lots of transition visits, so that the children can become familiar with the Foundation 2 learning environment. There will also be a meeting during the second half term for parents and carers to come in, meet the team, ask questions, see the environment and complete the necessary paperwork. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns please speak to the Foundation 1 team, we are happy to help.

Beehive News — Growing and Moving On

The Beehive have welcomed lots of new children after the Easter holidays, we would like to extend a warm welcome to our new families. The children have been planting lots of different vegetables in the garden and we are learning to take care of them as they grow. This term we will be reading lots of stories including 'Walking Through the Jungle' and 'Going on a Bear Hunt'. We would like to take this opportunity to remind our families about the lending library service we offer. We have lots of lovely books that you can borrow to share with your child at home.

Music Update



Huge congratulations to the children who play the violin that took part in the Hull Music Festival. They performed Maiden Fair and Too Much Rosin, they came an impressive 2nd out of 25 other schools. They scored 87 out of 100 earning them a distinction, well done and keep up the hard work!

Upcoming music dates (Details to follow):

Friday 21st June – DRET Orchestra day

Friday 5th July – Rhythm and Stomp project

Eco Committee News



Big Battery Hunt

The final countdown is on. We have 1 month left to collect as many batteries as possible to win prizes for the school. However battery recycling will still continue at Wold Academy after this.

Gardening

A massive thank you to all those who have kindly donated seeds. Keep your eyes out for the developing meadow next to our woodland area.

Sport Highlights

With only being at school for a few weeks in April, we have not done as much as usual but we will be attending the DRET Champions of Champions' tournament on Wednesday in Leicester. We qualified for this by winning the winter cup and will now face the champion schools of the south in football and netball to see who will be crowned national champions.

On Monday evening, we were very excited to have won the Hull Schools Division 1 netball tournament without losing a game, this means we are now the top Hull school for netball! Well done to the netball team on this fantastic achievement.

We were also very excited to be nominated for the Primary Sports Award and although we didn't win, we were 'highly commended' for sport. A huge well done to all pupils who have taken part in Wold's sporting success this year!

Please keep an eye out for our dedicated sports newsletter.