'Achieving Success Together'

Willowpark Primary Academy Newsletter

Autumn 2021

Issue 1

Our Willowpark Academy Values;
RESPECTFUL | RESPONSIBLE | RESILIENT | SAFE

Our Curriculum drivers;
ENTERPRISE | SPORT | MUSIC | OUTDOOR LEARNING

Dear Parents and children,

Welcome to our Newsletter and the Autumn Term

We are deilghted to be back after the summer holidays and have lots in store for a fantastic term ahead.

September saw the start of our brand new curriculum at Willowpark based around the 3C's –

Creativity, Compassion and Critical Thinking!

We hope to develop and instill these skills and values in all our pupils as the year progresses and are very much looking forward to seeing the exciting work emerge!

Contact Us!

You can phone the school office on 0161 359 5699, email us at teacherswp@willowparkacademy.org or message us on social media. We will pick up your message and a member of staff will contact you to discuss how we can help and support you.

Rights Respecting Schools

We have re-launched our Rights Respecting schools agenda at Willowpark. Mr Owen will be leading on this throughout the academic year as we embark on our journey to Silver status.

This week, Mr. Owen delivered a whole school assembly to share what Rights Respecting Schools means at Willowpark and to enable the children to understand that it is importnant that they have rights. This half term, we are focusing on three key rights for all our children –

- Children have the right to **Play**
- Children have the right to be **Safe**
- Children have the right to **Learn.**

To find out more about Rights Respecting Schools award and the work we will be doing in school, please follow the link below;

https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/the-rrsa/what-is-a-rights-respecting-school/

#weareRespectful #WillowparkWonderful

Whole school Learning Theme

Black History Month

Autumn 1 – this half term, children will learn about **Black History Month** and will focus on key individual, who they will study as a class in preparation for a special assembly before half term. The theme of the celebration this year is 'Proud to be..' and children will learn about significant individuals such as Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King.

#weareRespectful #WillowparkWonderful

#DiversityEqualityInclusion

Year 6 trip to Gallery Oldham

This week, Year 6 were lucky enough to visit Gallery Oldham to look at Oldham's role during the Industrial Revolution and specifically with role of the cotton mills that are all around our Town. The children found out that cotton would be delivered to the mills on trains, where it was spun in the factories (this was what Oldham's mills specialised in!) before being sent off to be dyed and made into a range of products elsewhere. We will be following up this leanring in school looking at at how Oldham has changed since these times too!

#Curriculum #Oldham #AchievingSuccessTogether

Our Amazing Artists!

This week, we have seen some amazing artwork from students across our Academy linked to the work in History. In Y3, children have been recreating stoneage art, Y4 have created 3D Lenticular art based on their leanring about the Shang Dynasty and Y5 have been studying the work of Austrian Artist Friedendreich Hundertwasser. Amazing!!

#WeareArtists #curriculum #creative #WillowparkWonderful

Diary Dates

October	
4th	Harvest Collection starts
12th	Promotional video – children in FULL school uniform please
14th	Individual photo day – more info to follow via ParentPay
20th/21st	Parents Evenings (zoom based) – please contact the office to make an appointment
22nd	Halloween Class events – more info to follow
22nd	Finish for half term
November	
1st	STAFF INSET DAY
2nd	Children return to school.

Applying for a place

We are now accepting applications for our pre school (2 year olds) and nursery (3 year olds)
Get your child's early years education off to the best possible start by enrolling today! We offer both 15 hour and 30 hour funded places for those eligible.
Please visit our website www.willowparkacademy.org or call us on 0161 359 5699 for more information!
We also have a small number of places in other year groups available - please contact us for more information.
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