



# Frodsham Primary Academy

## Newsletter 7

20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

This week has been an incredibly busy week in school. We had a behaviour reward this week, with children being able to visit Green Gates Park. All children really enjoyed this and have asked to go again soon.

Our Halloween disco was a huge success, children danced the night away and had sausage buns and drinks and all left with a Halloween goodie bag. A huge thank you goes to our fabulous PTA who make these events possible. Thanks also to the staff who gave up their time to stay and support.

Today, our Y6 children were invited along to Frodsham Methodist Church. They worked with artist D Alun Evans and created some fabulous art work linked to Anti-Slavery. The children's work will be included in the popup exhibition tomorrow from 1-4 at the church. Please take a journey down to celebrate this outstanding work. We were so proud of every child who engaged and asked really thought provoking questions.

We will be collecting clothes bags again after half term, please can these be brought in on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

Today, we finish school for two weeks. School reopens on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Have a great 2 weeks and we will see you back on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Mrs Callaghan

**McMillan Coffee morning**  
**We raised £80.73**  
**Thank you to everyone that**  
**donated.**

## Attendance News

Rec: 88.7%  
Year 1: 92.3%  
Year 2: 93.4%  
Year 3: 97%  
Year 4: 96.9  
Year 5: 84%  
Year 6: 98%

Overall school attendance this week  
is **93.1%**

Our attendance link from the Local authority has been in school today. Some families may receive a letter in the post if we are concerned about your child's attendance.

Families who have taken holidays, will be contacted by Cheshire West and Chester attendance team

Please be aware, taking holidays in term time will not be authorised and may be subject to a fixed penalty notice via Cheshire West and Chester attendance team.

Star of the week and Dojo champions will start again the first week back.

Please join us in our Monday celebration assembly if your child has been awarded a certificate.

Honor (10) Jax (4) Isla-May (6) Luca (8) Logan (5)  
Daisy (11) Charlotte (10)

★ HAPPY ★  
BIRTHDAY!

## Learning this week...

Snowy Owls have had a great last week in school. We have been really busy writing postcards to Norman as he has now gone back to bee school. The children have been writing about what they have been up to and asking him questions too! In maths this week reception have been looking at shapes and making patterns. We matched shapes and then made AB patterns with them too! Year 1 have been looking at blank number lines and how to add numbers to them. We found it best to find our start-points, midpoint, and endpoints! In Science this week we looked at different food groups and how we can make a healthy balanced lunch using the foods from the different groups. We also enjoyed our trip to the park this week as a treat for showing great behaviour this half term! Well done everyone! Have a lovely half term break!

Miss Sands

This week in Hawk Owl class, we have been completing some of our Foundation units. We looked at how important Samuel Pepys was at recording his eye witness account of the Great Fire of London, and how hard it is to get accurate information of events from so long ago without film or photographic evidence. In Science, we looked at how the muscles work together to move our skeleton, and also looked at the different roles of our teeth, making them out of playdough and labelling them. In Art we have looked at still life drawings of flowers and tried to add tonal shading to our own. The children completed their write up of their diary entries in English, a real improvement in handwriting has been seen with some children, keep it up! On Thursday afternoon the children enjoyed their reward visit to Green Gates Park. It was lovely to see the children all playing so lovely together. Enjoy your half-term break and Miss Curtis and Miss Smith will see you next half-term for more exciting learning opportunities!

Miss Curtis

We have made it to the last week of the half term but the learning hasn't slowed down for Desert Owls. In English, the children have written a guide on how to slay a mythical creature. The children have included some fantastic vocabulary and have gone into great detail when writing how to slay the beast! In maths, we have continued to look at different methods for addition and subtraction and we have focused heavily on the column method. At the end of the week, the children then sorted a number of questions into whether they could use a recall, mental methods, mental methods with some jottings or a formal written method. In science, we have been investigating the role of the heart within the circulatory system. Following this, the children completed an experiment looking at the impact of exercise on their pulse. Art this week has been a focus on sketching skills and the children have used some of Monets work as inspiration for their own life drawings. Our year 6 pupil have been very lucky and they were invited to work

with a local artist to create some prints to raise awareness of anti-slavery day. The children all represented Frodsham Primary Academy well and made myself and Mrs Callaghan very proud. The prints are on display at Frodsham Methodist Church on Saturday (21<sup>st</sup> October) 1pm-4pm if you would like to go to support our pupils.

Mrs Price

This week, Tawny owls have been very busy. They took part in their last football session of the half term, unfortunately it was indoor due to the rain, but that meant children had to show off all their skills to be able to control the ball in a smaller space. In history, children learnt about the changes in schools over time, and what schools used to be like in the past. This gave a great opportunity for discussion. In science, they learnt about the offspring of animals. Children really enjoyed matching offspring to the adult animals and looking at whether animals were born live or in eggs. The highlight of the week though, was definitely the class visit to Green Gate Park and the Halloween party! Children had a great afternoon.

Miss Pemberton

# ANTI-SLAVERY Popup Exhibition



*Featuring original prints by D Alun Evans  
(meet the artist from 2pm to 3pm)*

*Work by yr6 children from  
Frodsham Primary Academy*

*Frodsham Churches Together Anti-Slavery and  
Human Trafficking group & other displays*

**FRODSHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

KINGSLEY ROAD, FRODSHAM, WA6 6BA

**SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> October 2023 1pm to 4pm**



**REFRESHMENTS SERVED**

Please keep reading over half term for your chance to be in with a prize!

We have started a new reading initiative in school. Each class has a reading tree on their window close to their class reading areas. Parents of younger children are encouraged to write in children's planners each time they read at home and older children are encouraged to record when they have read. For each read, children will receive a leaf on the reading tree.

We will then have a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class for the most reads at the end of the term. These children will be taken out of school to purchase their reading reward. Please support your child to read at home.



"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." -Dr Seuss

Read Write Inc sound video links. Please watch at home linked to your child's phonic sounds.

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## **Online home learning support**

As a school, we have invested in online subscriptions to engage and support the children's learning both in school and at home.

**Children in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 will have log in details for the following:**

**Reading Plus**- To support reading fluency and comprehension

**Rollama**- A themed universe of mini-games and teaching tools for spelling, punctuation, and grammar, with medals, leader boards, avatars, competitions, and more.

**Timetable Rockstars (TTRS)**- a maths programme that takes all the worry out of learning times tables and has a proven track record of boosting children's fluency and recall in multiplication and division.

## **Reception and Year 1**

**Read Write Inc**- Phonics programme that supports blending and segmenting of words to support reading, writing and spelling. Links are attached above.



## Applying for a Primary School place in **September 2024**



The closing date for applying for a primary school place is **Monday, 15 January 2024**



Cheshire West and Chester

Important information for parents or carers

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Applications received after this deadline will be processed after all on time applications



Cheshire West and Chester

Nursery parents, please call the school office if you would like help to apply for a reception place for September 2024

## Applying for a Secondary School place - **Year 7 September 2024**



The closing date for applying for a secondary school place is **Tuesday, 31 October 2023**



Cheshire West  
and Chester

Important  
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## Applying for a Secondary School place **Year 7 September 2024**



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## Diary of events for Autumn Term

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	School opens
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2.30-3.00	Reception and Year 1 welcome event. Come and find out about the curriculum this term with Miss Sands
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2.30-3.00	Year 2,3,4 welcome event. Come and find out about the curriculum this term with Miss Curtis
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2.30-3.00	Year 5 and 6 welcome event. Come and find out about the curriculum this term with Mrs Price.
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Weaver Vale Housing Multiply parent sessions begin
Week beginning Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent's evening
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Own clothes day- More to follow
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 5.30	Christmas BINGO night for adults
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Christmas PANTO!
Week beginning 11 <sup>th</sup> December- Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Christmas performance- More to follow
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 3.30-4.00	Class open book look. Come and see your child's learning so far this year.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 3.30-4.30	Christmas fair in school- Children's class stalls only. Classes will each set up their own stall
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas at 1.20pm
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Children return to school

Our poster for school open days and stay and plays for prospective new families



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about EA SPORTS FC 24

After two decades of holding the official FIFA licence, EA Sports' phenomenally successful football video game series has embarked on a solo run at goal. This season's iteration marks the debut appearance of a new name and branding, but don't let those fool you – EA Sports FC 24 is still a very similar proposition to last year's FIFA 23. Popular features such as Ultimate Team remain a big focus, meaning that potentially costly in-game spending is still among the line-up of risks that parents and carers should be aware of.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### RECURRING RELEASES

EA Sports FC 24 effectively picks up the FIFA template – meaning that after a year, we can expect EA Sports FC 25 to hit the shelves. Updates between versions of the FIFA franchise tended to be minor, but young fans of the game are almost certain to want the new edition in around 12 months' time, so they can keep playing with updated team kits, players and squad lists.

### OFFENSIVE VOICE CHAT

FIFA 23 introduced cross-platform play, and EA Sports FC 24 goes a step further with Clubs, Seasons and Ultimate Team cooperative modes across PlayStation 5, Xbox Series X and S, and PC. That's exciting news for youngsters who love to play with friends online – but connecting a much wider audience does potentially open lines of communication between children and far older online gamers.

### IN-GAME PURCHASES

In FIFA, Ultimate Team proved to be a profitable innovation for developers Electronic Arts (EA), and is now found in many of their other titles. Players spend in-game currency to recruit better footballers for their team, but this process can take a frustratingly long time – so young fans may be tempted to skip the grind by paying real-world cash to unlock that coveted star midfielder.

### CONTROL SPENDING

If your child enjoys Ultimate Team mode, check that your payment details aren't linked to their account. Bundles of FC Points (the game's currency) start at just £1, so multiple payments can easily slip under the radar. You could consider setting your child an in-game allowance, perhaps through a prepaid card, which will help them to realise that online spending has a real-world effect.

### SHOW TOXIC CHAT THE RED CARD

Playing EA Sports FC 24 with friends is highly enjoyable, but if competitive types start to turn toxic online, it can ruin everyone's fun. You could occasionally listen in on the voice chat of your child's game for any warning signs that things may be about to boil over. This goes double when playing online with strangers: voice contact with unknown players can be turned off in the game's settings.

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### CELEBRATE THE VARIETY

Ultimate Team may be the game's 'star player', but there's plenty more to do in EA Sports FC 24 – including modes which allow access to all of football's big names without needing to spend money on packs to unlock them. This new version of the game includes even more women's teams, marking another step forward in representation: an important subject to discuss and celebrate with children.

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