



Whittlefield Primary and Nursery School

Spring Newsletter 10:
Friday 18th March 2022



This week it's been Science Week and we have been focusing our learning on science, technology, engineering and maths (what is better known as STEM).

The theme this year has been 'Growth' and we have also posed the question to our children 'If you were an engineer what would you do?'

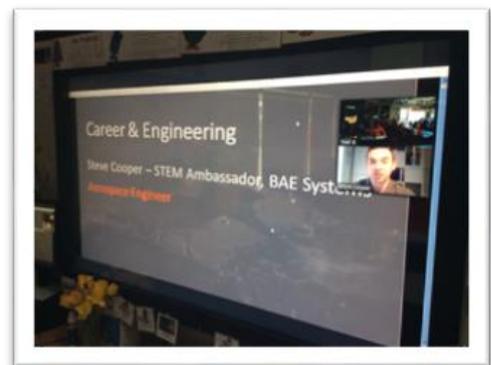


**IF YOU WERE AN
ENGINEER
WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

to make the world a better place. This is also a competition encouraging children across the UK to look at the world around them and find engineered solutions to common problems. As part of the competition, children interview engineering professionals, identify a problem and design a solution to it enabling them to meet and be inspired by real engineers and discover the engineer they could be.



We have been wowed by the competition entries we have had for this! There has been so many exciting things happening in school: Nursery have made bubble paintings, rainbow flowers and balloon rockets.



Nursery, Reception and Year 1 worked with our very own STEM Ambassadors. Year 2 met Stephanie Simon a professional engineer from Clifford Packaging and were enthralled by her. Year 3 met marine engineer, Dave Hall based in China and learned all about how his love of Lego turned into project managing the building of HUGE cargo ships on the other side of the world! Year 4 were wowed by 3D printing with Mr Trafford- Jones as well as learning about microbiology. Year 5 met Abi Brierley from Laing and Rourke Construction and Year 6 met Steve Cooper from BAE Systems who were equally inspiring.



We enjoyed science shows with Adrian Bowden. He amazed us with all his 'magic tricks' which weren't magic at all, simply science! Danny from Blessed Trinity also WOWED Years 5 and 6.



On Tuesday, Miss Johnson and Mrs Boughen and our dancers to Blessed Trinity in Burnley to take part in a dance competition.

We came sixth out of 32 Burnley schools and we were very proud of them, especially as they only had 4 weeks to rehearse and some of them are complete beginners. Well done to each and every one of you.

Thanks to all our Mums and Dads and carers who helped with transportation and for cheering our dancers on. A special thank you to Miss Johnson for her creative choreography and dance training.





Our Spotlight on Our Governors

This week our Y6 School Council children interviewed Michael Wood.

How long have you been a governor?

I have been a governor since June 2021 so about 9 months.

What type of governor are you? Do you play a particular role on the Governing Board? I am the Finance Governor, so I have to work closely with Mrs Vent to make sure that the school spends the money they have wisely.

What made you volunteer to be a governor? I wanted the opportunity to help the school and the experience of working on a governing board.

What skills do you bring to the role? And have you ever been a teacher? I have a degree in Business and a keen eye for cost saving! No I am not a teacher and don't think I would be a very good one!

What are your hobbies? I like playing video games with my son, Sebastian and designing.

Do you ever see yourself being chair of governors? No, Mrs. Lucarz is brilliant and I would not want to follow in those footsteps.

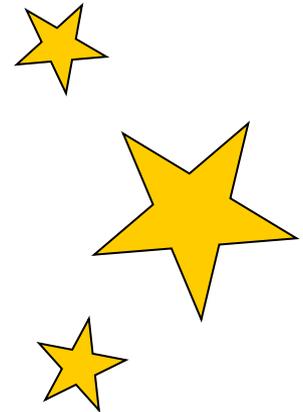
What do you think about Whittlefield Primary school? It is a wonderful, kind primary school with amazing staff and children.

Thank you to Eden and Adam for this report

Attendance Well done to Reception this week.

Reception take the lead with this week's attendance:

Reception	98.3%	Year 3	96.3%
Year 1	91.4%	Year 4	98.1%
Year 2	97%	Year 5	93.2%
		Year 6	95.2%



Learners of the Week & Super Scientists

Nursery

Harriet
& Super Scientists:
Chester and Penelope

Year 3

Sam H.

Reception

Alfie

Year 4

Luke

Year 1

Toby J.

Year 5

Corey L.

Year 2

Luan

Year 6

Oliver H.

Skills builder

All of year 1

KS2

Sienna B.

Award



Well done to all of our learners this week, who have been recognised for their hard work and going above and beyond. We all enjoyed a Celebration Tea together.



Happy Birthday this week to Alfie in

Reception. We hope you had a lovely day celebrating

and that it was filled with special moments. And belated birthday wishes to Ruby in Year 5 whose birthday we missed. We are so sorry Ruby and we hope you had a lovely day!

Diary Dates

A DAY FOR UKRAINE

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On **Friday 1st April**, the last day of the spring term, we are going to be thinking about Ukraine and doing all we can to show our support for our fellow human beings.

Staff and children can choose to come to school that day wearing anything blue and yellow- the colours of the Ukrainian flag. This can be as simple as a ribbon in your hair, or a Ukrainian flag painted on your face or wearing a blue or yellow t shirt. We don't want this to cause any of our children any anxiety

and certainly don't want to cause any of our parents' additional stress or work!



A simple gesture of support is all that is needed if you want to show your support. You may want to donate a small amount of money: we shall leave that up to you. We will be collecting other donations and will let you know more information once we have this information for you.