A busy week in school this week with parent meetings - it was lovely to see some of you in school, and great to hear such positive reports and conversations from the teachers.

Remember, you can keep up to date with news from school on our Facebook page whitefieldprimaryofficial, via the school app and the school website www.whitefield-pri.lancs.sch.uk.

THEME FOR THE WEEK—In our assembly on Monday 20th March, Mrs Willers talked to the children about who they would identify as a 'trusted adult'. The children came up with a huge list of really good ideas and talked about what they would do if they found themselves on their own outside school.

On Monday 27th, we will be looking at the British Value of democracy and how we can use our voice to bring about change, focusing on the news that the Welsh football association has agreed to pay the men and women's teams the same amount of money. What do we think about this?

## ECO NEWS

Thank you to the parent who donated weed membrane.

We've used some in our willow den which is now starting to grow.

Thanks also to the volunteers at Longton Brickcroft who harvested more willow for us to replace the stems that didn't take in the drought last year.

Fingers crossed that all the rain we're having will help!


## friday CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY-

Every Friday, we meet as a whole school and certifcates are awarded to children who the teacher sees have gone 'over and above' the expectations in school and been able to demonstrate a 'healthy heart, healthy body and/or a healthy mind'. Sometimes there are lots of certificates, sometimes not as many.

No certificates and house points last week due to it being a very short week so everything is carried over to this week.

AUTHOR VISIT - C G MOORE


Year 5 had an amazing visit on Thursday from C G Moore who is an award winning young adult author from Ireland.

Chris is currently planning a novel for children aged 9-11 and is running creative writing workshops with children to give them creative learning opportunities whilst at the same time helping him learn about the tastes and interests of children this age.

Quinn M in Y5 thought it was fun that they got to write their own short story with him. Quinn wrote one about an animal that was half worm, half elephant - a wormephant! There was also a planet made of cheese involved! Yummy!

TOWER WOOD - Y6 are off to Tower Wood on Lake Windermere on Wednesday 29th March for two nights and three days. They will take part in canoeing , ghyl scrambling, the leap of faith, and so much more. The teachers are really excited too, however we have just told Mrs Ginty she isn't allowed to take her hairdryer so she is stressing a little! The children will be joined by Miss Mansfield, Mr Jackson, Miss Haynes, Mrs Hersee, Mr Roberts, Mrs Ginty and Mrs Ward with Mrs Foster coming up for tea on Thursday.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—Spring Term 2023

COMING UP -
Wear What You Want Day and bring an Easter Egg or some chocolate - Friday 24th March

EASTER BINGO - Tuesday 28th March CLOSE FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS - Friday 31st March, 3.30pm. Schoolsout open until 6pm.

REOPEN - Monday 17th April 2023, 8.50am (Schoolsout open from 7.30pm)

## STEM EVENT - PRIORY ACADEMY

It was like Allan Sugar's Apprentice at Priory on Thursday as a group of Y5 children took part in a day of enterprise around creating, designing and marketing a new brand of soap.

The children showed exemplary behaviour, wonderful team work and enthusiasm.


NEXT WEEK - look out for the winner of the FBA (Fantastic Book Awards) vote which takes place tomorrow!

RED NOSE DAY 2023


We dressed in red or bright colours and raised £293.87 for Comic Relief. Did anyone watch it on the tele? Dawn French in The Traitors was very funny!

## CLASS ATTENDANCE w/b 13th March 2023

As part of our attendance drive in school, we have been talking to the children about being punctual and attending school. Each week, we will be publishing the class with the best attendance the previous week.

It was only three days in school last week and we have FIVE classes with 100\% attendance so well done to:

1KG - Mrs Ginty's class
3NO - Mrs Napier and Miss O'Sullivan's class
3VK - Miss King's class
5LN - Miss Nuttall's class
6AJ - Mr Jackson's class

Closely followed by 2JK - Mrs Kimberley's class with 99.4\%!

