# Wensley Fold CE Primary Academy



# GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REVIEW



# A NEW JOURNEY

**JULY 2017** 

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## MESSAGE FROM MRS SIMPSON

What a wonderful year Wensley Fold has had and I am proud to have been part of it, if only for two terms (it feels like more!).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire Wensley Fold family for their hard work and dedication this year and for welcoming me so warmly into the fold.

We are sad to say goodbye to Mrs Draper this term who will be leaving us as she begins her well-deserved retirement. We also welcome Mrs Pfeiffer our new deputy head who joins us from September.

We also wish our amazing year 6 children lots of luck in their new schools and at the same time welcome our new reception children and families form September.

Have a restful break everyone and enjoy some richly deserved time with your families over the summer holidays.

# MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY 2016 – 2017



Mrs D Simpson Headteacher



Mr J Leigh Foundation Governor



Mrs O Fairless L A Governor



Mrs M Hargreaves Community Governor



Mrs A Hussain Parent Governor



Mr J Dungerpurwala Community Governor



Mrs S Dhukai Parent Governor



Mrs A Whittingham Teacher Governor



Mrs S Rafiq Parent Governor



Mrs E Rae Teacher Governor



Mr T Ali Parent Governor



Miss M Bennison Staff Governor



Dr R Master



Mrs J McFeely Community Governor



Mr E Raja Community Governor



Mrs S Alam Parent Governor



Mr S Khan Parent Governor



Mr W Hussain Community Governor



Mrs J Draper Deputy Headteacher



Mrs M Hutchison Clerk to the Governors

#### THE STRATEGIC PLAN 2016 - 2017:

To maintain and exceed all current standards, the school's distinctive Christian ethos and the outstanding judgement of the school during and after its growth

- 1. To raise standards in READING throughout the school
- 2. To implement INSPIRE Maths in Years 1, 2 and 3
- 3. To maintain the highest standards in all subjects through the development of individual subject action plans
- 4. To develop a curriculum which is personalised to the needs of our children
- 5. To work in partnership with parents to encourage them to become active and supportive partners in their children's education
- 6. To ensure the new extended campus matches the needs of a personalised curriculum
- 7. To maintain best practice recruitment of staff who best match the ethos and culture of the school
- 8. To embed community cohesion into all aspects of school life
- 9. To embed a Wensley Fold Charitable Trust
- 10. To encourage the majority of children to develop a habit of walking or cycling safely to school daily
- 11. To develop an on-going programme of drug awareness in relation to the issues in the local community
- 12. To establish industry links through all appropriate areas of the curriculum
- 13. To develop and promote a long term savings habit through the Wensley Fold Savings Bank
- 14. To further promote family understanding of the importance of a healthy lifestyle
- 15. To establish a range of successful, high profile sports clubs and teams with links to external clubs and teams

# SCHOOL DIRECT



A total of 16 Associate Teachers started TEAM Alliance School Direct PGCE Course in September 2016. As last year, the course involved three placements in host schools within the Alliance, lectures at Wensley Fold from University of Cumbria and Specialist Leaders of Education from within our schools and various academic assignments. The course has received outstanding feedback from both the Associate Teachers and Headteachers.

We are delighted to report that 15 of the Associate Teachers have now secured employment from September. We have had over 80 applications for next year's course and have offered 20 places for September 2017. We welcome 3 Associate Teachers who will have Wensley Fold as their host school.

## GOODBYE MRS DRAPER

We say a sad but fond farewell to Mrs Draper this week.

The whole Wensley Fold family, past and present, who have had the opportunity to work with Mrs Draper over the last 28 years wish her lots of luck with the next step in her journey.



We are sure she will enjoy lots of time with her family and friends and have the opportunity for wonderful holidays, trips and new hobbies.

The times shared, friendships forged and the incredible successes which Wensley Fold has enjoyed alongside Mrs Draper have been an extraordinary part of all our lives.

We are very proud of all that we have achieved as a school and thank Mrs Draper wholeheartedly for the part she has played in this.

Enjoy your retirement Mrs Draper, you deserve it.

## WELCOME MRS PFEIFFER



We welcome Mrs Stephanie Pfeiffer who has been appointed as the new Deputy Headteacher of Wensley Fold and will take up her post in September.

# THEMED WEEK - ENTERPRISE WEEK - May 2017

Our annual themed week required the children to be very enterprising. Before the week began each class had to apply for a loan from the Credit Union to set up their company then they spent the week conducting market research, testing and producing products and then marketing them. On Friday afternoon the school became a market place where the goods produced by the children were sold.

Reception - The Super Strong Sparkly Bag Company

Year 1G — Oreo's Super Shakes

Year 1H - Cherry on Top Ice Cream Shop

Year 2 - Tasty Treats

Year 3H - Stringy Things

Year 3S - Sweet Treats

Year 4D — Frootie Shack

Year 4T — Fold's Café

Year 5L — Buttonmania

Year 5M - Ready Set Grow

Year 6R - Satisfactory

The total amount of profit made was over £2,500

All money raised in the market place was donated to charity.

# **CHARITY – FREE PROJECT**



The Free Project CIC is a Blackburn based volunteer project working with those in transient accommodation or those who are homeless. They always need new volunteers at the hub, as well as clothing, towels, toilet rolls, shower gel, shampoo

etc. This year, with your generosity we raised a total of £1500 for this worthy cause — through selling Year 5's reindeers and candle holders, holding an Easter Egg Bingo, having a Christmas film night and other events. We cannot run fundraising events without the help of our parents. Please look out for the date of our next charity meeting in the newsletter and come along if you are able to!

#### WE LOVE MANCHESTER EMERGENCY FUND

A further £1500 was donated to the fund set up to help the victims of the terror attack in Manchester. Thank you for your very generous donations.



#### SPORTS NEWS

We have had some outstanding achievements in sport this year. We achieved our highest cross country positions with two of our girls coming in the top 35 out of over 150 children. In February, our Year 4 Indoor Athletics Team achieved a GOLD medal. Our Year 3 / 4 Gymnastics Team narrowly missed out on a bronze medal in the Blackburn with Darwen competition this year. The Netball team not only scored their first goal and won their first match, but also came second in the Blackburn Schools' Netball League 2. After entering a competition, our football team were lucky in a prize draw and got the opportunity to play at Ewood Park. At the annual Witton Park Athletics event, two of our children were successful in reaching the finals and gained a silver and a bronze medal. Finally, our fantastic Boccia team gained a silver medal in the Blackburn and Darwen completion and therefore went to Liverpool to represent Blackburn and Darwen in the reginal tournament.

#### SUMMER EXHIBITION



July saw the first Wensley Fold SUMMER EXHIBITION. This was inspired by the Summer Exhibition which is held every year at the Royal Academy in London. Our exhibits came from children, staff and governors and included ceramics, textiles, sketchbooks, paintings and fashion design. Many thanks to everyone who contributed and made it such a success.

#### STAFF CHANGES

No other members of staff are leaving this year but we do welcome two new teachers who are already familiar to many of the children — Miss Brown who will be teaching in Year 3 and



Miss Littlefair who will be teaching in Year 4 during Mrs Harrington's maternity leave.

Some members of staff will be changing classes. Mrs Harrington is moving to Year 4, Mr Doyle is moving to Year 5 and Mrs Mercer is moving to Year 6.

#### **VISIT TO PARLIAMENT**

On Thursday 22 September 2016 our Year 6 children went to London by train. They visited the British Museum – enjoying the wide variety of exhibits. They then walked to the Houses of



Parliament where they had a tour of both the House of Lords and the House of Commons. Then then took part in a workshop where they held their own debate. It was an amazing and very tiring day!

#### **DEBATING**

The debating team have had several debating competitions this year including traveling to Bolton for a competition in which we won. The team were also successful in winning the Borough Debating competition at Blackburn Town Hall last month

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

Three children were successful in representing the school in the Blackburn with Darwen Public Speaking competition. Each child was given a topic to discuss for 3 minutes, they then prepared a speech which was delivered at Blackburn University Centre. Aaliyah G was successful in winning the competition. All three girls did extremely well and made us very proud.

#### **GENERAL ELECTION 2017**

On June 8 the school held an election to coincide with the

General Election. The children involved were split into relevant political parties with a member of staff who acted as the campaign manager and organiser. The children had to research the policies of their party and canvas



children and staff for their support. This culminated in a hustings followed by voting. The Green Party were elected mainly due to their policy of a four day school week (which like many political policies has not been implemented). They narrowly beat the Monster Raving Loony Party by 2 votes.

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL

This year our school council representatives have been:

Muhammed Mulla, Sania Bhai and Yusuf Sultan in Year 2; Abdullah Qamar, Hajra Dodia, Mehek Ashiq and Fareed Raja in Year 3; Haris Alam, Zahra Awan, Hasnain Khan and Reyah Bhai in Year 4; Salahuddin Ahmed, Tanya Ajmal, Jannat Faisal and Mohammed Nabeel Rashid in Year 5; Maleehah Khan and Yahya Dhukai in Year 6.

#### SPELLING BEE

The annual cluster Spelling Bee was held in June at the University Centre in Blackburn. Aamina Sikander won the Year 3/Year 4 competition and Lina Mohammed came second in the Year 5/Year 6 competition. Well done to everyone who took part.

# **WORLD BOOK DAY THURSDAY 3 MARCH 2017**



Our children and staff celebrated World Book Day by dressing in their pyjamas, ready for a bed time story. The day was filled with book related activities.

#### CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

Blackburn Children's University (CU) which has been running since II N I V



January 2010 has continued to grow from strength to strength. This year Blackburn CU members have taken part in over 17,000 hours of Children's University activities. During the past year Blackburn Children's University™ has offered children a variety of activities which have been after school, in the holidays and at some weekends. Sara Burton (Extended Schools Coordinator) has organised many events. In October children from 4 schools enjoyed a trip to Cadbury's World, in March they went to the Anderton Centre to take part in outdoor activities, and most recently in July went to Hoghton The University Centre at Blackburn College has Tower. continued to help run a number of activities for the children. Children have learnt about Fire and Rescue, Shakespeare and History. Blackburn CU was invited back again to sing on stage at the University Centre's Graduation in October. This was a fantastic opportunity for the children to experience something different. As a cluster of schools they also took part in the annual Celebration of Dance Festival at

King George's Hall in March. Blackburn CU held the annual graduation on Saturday 15 July. Over 160 children attended to receive their national certificates. An additional 100 children were presented with their bronze certificates in their school.

#### YEAR 6 ACTIVITIES WEEK

Once again our Year 6 children enjoyed a week packed full of activities - including: skiing, water sports, team building,





orienteering, archery, abseiling and a barbeque followed by a sleepover in school.

#### TRIPS AND VISITS

The children have experienced a range of trips and visits during the last year, including:

Reception - South Lakes Zoo, Smithills Farm

Year 1 - Eureka, Gujarat Temple, Brockholes Nature Reserve

Year 2 - Townley Hall, Skipton Castle, Fleetwood

Year 3 – Martin Mere Viking Day, Roman Workshop

Year 4 – Blackburn Museum, World Museum Liverpool

Year 5 - Cuerden Hall Victorian Day, Tolkien Trail, Clitheroe

Year 6 - Houses of Parliament London, Imperial War Museum, Activities Week

Years 3, 4 and 6 – UCLAN Science Week Activities

Key Stage 2 – Gangsta Granny Preston Whole School - Dick Whittington King Georges Hall Blackburn



# RESULTS 2017

Reception

% of children who have reach a Good Level of Development	National % GLD (2016)
72%	69%

# Year 1 Phonics

Year 1 Pupils Who Achieved the	National % Who Achieved the		
Required Standard (2017)	Required Standard (2016)		
87%	77%		

Key Stage 1 - percentage children who have met the standard

	Reading	Writing	GPS	Maths	Science
Year 2	66%	69%	76%	86%	83%
Year 2	83%	73%	80%	87%	83%
TOTAL	75%	71%	78%	86%	83%

Key Stage 2 - percentage of children who have met the standard

	EINGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	MATHS	SCIENCE
	Reading	Writing	GPS		(TA)
TA	83%	79%		90%	83%
SAT	83%		90%	93%	

#### THE BUDGET

(For the financial year ending August 2017)

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Expenditure	2016/2017		
Salaries & Wages	76%		
Premises	7%		
Capitation	6%		
Central Services	7%		
School Meals	4%		
TOTAL	100%		