

Wingfield Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday, 20th January 2023

Dear parents/carers,

This week I have been amazed by the quality of the poetry the children across the school have been writing inspired by Joseph Coelho. Teachers will be creating displays of children's learning inspired by Joseph Coelho – we will let you know when they are completed. We are looking for new parent governors (please see below). If you are interested and would like to know more please do catch me on the playground or make an appointment via the school office. Being a governor takes up less time than you would think! Have a wonderful weekend all –

Ross Silcock and Wanda



Some highlights from our school this week:

Year 6 have been writing poetry based on the transition of seasons.

Year 5 have been writing poems inspired by Joseph's Coelho's 'Jack-O-Lantern' describing the life cycle of a potato.

Year 4 have continued to explore the artwork of Oenone Hammersley using different mediums such as watercolour and oil pastel.

Year 3 have been writing acrostic poems related to the word 'Countryside.'

Year 2 have been writing poems about emotions.

Year 1 have been learning about the four seasons and the weather related to them.

Reception have started to read their Joseph Coelho poem 'I Am Brave'.

Nursery have been enjoying learning about Joseph Coelho's poetry.



Secondary school applications

Children will receive the outcome of their secondary school applications on 1st March. This means that the children will receive information regarding which schools they have been accepted to go to. Parents and children will then need to accept the offers by 15th March 2023. If you have any issues regarding the applications, please contact the office via phone or email or directly through the borough.

Parent Governor Vacancy

As a parent or carer, you will naturally take a keen interest in your child's education. Now here's your chance to have a say in key decisions at our school and to make a real contribution to the local community – by becoming a Parent Governor. Further details of this opportunity are included with this newsletter, but if you would like to discuss the role further, Dr Silcock will be happy to help!

Changing details

If any of your family/carer details have changed (phone numbers, address or emergency contacts), it is very important that you share this information with the office.

Medical

Please ensure all updated medical needs (if necessary) are shared with the office.

French Phrase of the Week: je chante.

Translation : I sing.

Word of the week: dynamic

Definition: a person positive in attitude and full of energy.

Context: she was a dynamic teacher.

Contacting us –

If you need anything then send us an email.

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spds.uk

or leave a message at the school office **020 8856 1167**

Dates for the diary

Last Day of Spring 1 term

Friday, 10th February 2023

First Day of Spring 2 term

Monday, 20th February 2023

Recipe of the week

Sweet Potato with Curried Lentils and Pomegranate

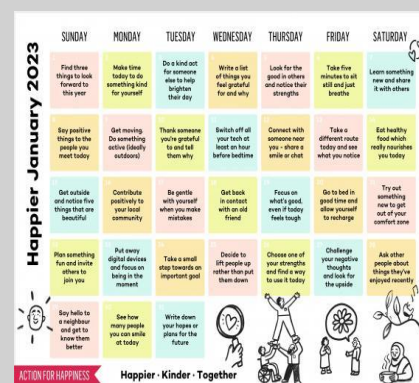


Ingredients:

- 3-4 sweet potatoes
- 2 cups red lentils
- 4 cups water
- 2cm piece ginger finely sliced
- 1 large onion finely chopped
- 1 clove garlic finely sliced
- 1/2 tsp cumin seeds
- 2 large tomatoes finely sliced
- 1/2 tsp turmeric
- 1/4 tsp curry powder
- 2 handfuls fresh spinach chopped
- 1 large carrot finely sliced

Topping:

- pomegranate seeds
- Sunflower seeds
- coconut yoghurt
- Fresh coriander



New playground

The school improvement building work on the playground has been completed this week. We are pleased to announce that a new bike shed and extension to the artificial grass has been added to the school ground. This is in addition to the climbing wall, goal posts and trim trail we added last year.

Sweet Potato with Curried Lentils and Pomegranate

This is a great recipe for a nutritious dinner that's quick, especially if you prepare the lentils the night before. Full of protein from the lentils and antioxidants from the pomegranate, it's also delicious!

Method

- Prepare the sweet potatoes by piercing each potato with a fork then baking them in the oven for 40 minutes on 200C.
- Meanwhile, cover the lentils with double the amount of water, and cook with the ginger for 20 minutes until soft.
- Fry the onion and garlic for a few minutes, then add the spices and cook for a further 2 minutes. Add the tomatoes, spinach and carrots, and cook for 5 more minutes.
- Once the lentils have cooked, add the onion mixture to the lentils and cook for a further 5-10 minutes until it starts to take on a thicker consistency.
- Once baked, slice open the potatoes and add 2-3 tbsp of curried lentils.
- Top-up with 1 tbsp of pomegranate seeds and 2 tsp of sunflower seeds.
- Add a splash of coconut yoghurt on the side to cool the palate.
- Toss in some fresh coriander - and enjoy!

What is your favourite subject and why?

For our question this week, we find out what subject the children like best. Please look below to find out what they think.

Charlotte (1HP): English because I like stories.

Kapri (1HP): Science because I like learning the four seasons. I like summer because I like feeling hot. And autumn because I like throwing leaves around.

Ava (3JD): Maths because I like doing calculations.

Izzy (3JD): English because we get to do stories, newsletter and reports.

Hossam (4KO): I like PE because I love sports and all the fun activities. In particular, I love bench ball.

Neda (4KO): I like maths because I love solving problems. I also like fractions.

Poppy (4KO): I like science because I like learning about states of matter and carrying out different experiments.

Siena (6DM): I love art because it is fun and creative. In particular, I loved the helm I drew based on Shackleton's voyage.

Caitlyn (6DM): Art and English- you get the opportunity to put your own twist on your work whilst having a topic to focus on.

Joseph Coelho poetry

Our whole school project inspired by Joseph Coelho's poetry has been a roaring success. The children have loved analysing the poets work and they have used his ideas to create their own poems. Over the next few weeks, the teachers and children will be using these wonderful outcomes to produce a range of classroom displays ready for parents' evening. Please look below to find some of the poems that children have created so far:

Happy is being kind

Happy is loving

Happy is funny

Happy is laughing

Laila Jackson (RJT)

Rusty houses

Under the sky, like a paradise

Rabbits hopping around carrots in the farm

Apples falling off the bushy trees

Like a poetry

By Flossy Brady (3JD)

My pencil and I
It hovers
Above the page
Half-asleep
My bumble- bee pencil
Barely writes a syllable
On the white void
My pencil and I

My pencil and I
Its stomach lurches
With Hunger
As the clock
Keeps ticking away
My bumble-bee pencil
Ravenous for food
My pencil and I

By Noemi Mozejko (6DM)

