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Dear Parents and Carers,

At Wimbledon Chase we take every opportunity to celebrate learning, both learning in school and at home. Our Friday celebration assembly centres on sharing these successes and providing inspiration to others to develop their own skills and talents.

Today's assembly was no different. It started with a proud, beaming smile from Mrs Godden, our specialist music teacher, while Ruoshui played a stunning piece of music on the piano. This was then followed by Akshay who displayed his artistic talents and his own painted masterpieces, inspired by his grandfather.

Every opportunity is a learning opportunity and our broad curriculum gives the children the prospect and inspiration to develop their **knowledge, skills and understanding**. We teach our children that every experience is a chance to learn and grow, through our teaching of **Growth Mindset** and **Building Learning Power** foci and strategies.

We teach them a positive mindset and that making mistakes is something everyone does and this does not mean that you have failed. It just means that you are trying and are learning in life.



The skill is then to learn from them to ensure you make progress. These learning traits are expertly displayed by Ruoshi and Akshay as they try to master the skills of being a pianist and an artist respectively.



Akshay confidently discussed how his grandfather had encouraged and coached him to try different types of paints and new techniques, including using a fork to create texture in his artwork. I am sure you will agree that the above results are simply amazing.

We all know that no-one is perfect. It is important that we instil in ourselves and our children that there is no such thing as 'I can't', only 'I **can't yet**'. Learning from our mistakes, showing resilience and demonstrating determination all support the phrase '**practice makes progress**'.

Resilience
being ready, willing and able to keep on trying when something is tricky

Reflectiveness
being ready, willing and able to think about what you've done well and how to improve

Resourcefulness
being ready, willing and able to learn in different ways

Reciprocity
being ready, willing and able to learn with others



CELEBRATION OF HOME LEARNING

Following their recent exciting trip to Hampton Court Palace, the Year 5 children were challenged with comparing these beautiful buildings to their choice of a selection of palaces or castles from around the world. The children were tasked with researching and reporting back on the location, climate, history and physical and human features of their selected location. It was wonderful to see the huge range of 3D models, colourful posters, information brochures and slide shows and information booklets across the year group.



The children from Year 3 classes have also produced some fantastic learning resources in their Egyptian project home tasks. We had home-made pyramids, masks and canopic jars.



The continued support in these learning tasks from yourselves must be commended. These opportunities are a great way of you sharing your knowledge, skills and understanding, as well as practising and learning new talents together with your child.

In Performing Arts news, I must quickly mention Isabella from Year 4 who is performing at the Surrey Youth Ballet

at Epsom Theatre this weekend in Cinderella. We wish her every success.

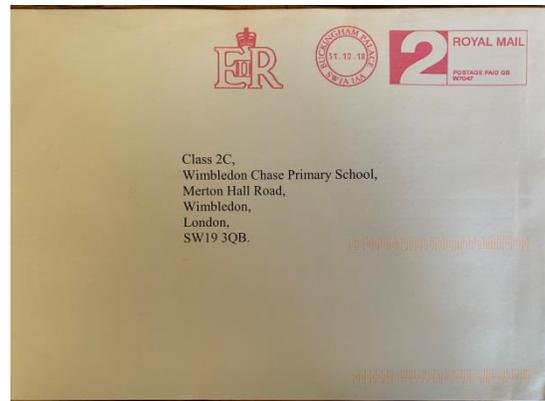
CODING QUEENS

During the Half Term break, two of our Year 6 pupils took part in a children's robotics challenge at Barclays, Canary Wharf. Cara and Marnix worked collaboratively on coding techniques and building their robot within the competition. They were extremely proud and delighted at achieving first place in the competition!



BREAKING NEWS

We have recently had a very exciting delivery into the school office.



Mrs Newell enthusiastically opened the letter to find a picture of The Duke and Duchess of Sussex (Prince Harry and his new wife Megan Markle), who had responded to last year's Year 2 classes' congratulatory letters.

The message read :

'The Duke and Duchess of Sussex have been overwhelmed by all the incredibly kind cards and letters they received on the occasion of their Wedding, and are so touched that you took the trouble to write as you did. It really is most thoughtful of you and greatly appreciated by Their Royal Highnesses who send you their very best wishes'.

Well done to the now Year 3s, who practiced their writing skills, writing for a purpose and a specific audience. It is lovely to receive such a response, especially from royalty.

WIMBLEDON CHASE PARENTS' CHOIR

Mr
Hea

On Saturday 3rd November our parent choir will be singing in the **Wimbledon International Music Festival** at St. Johns Church, Spencer Hill, at 1.30pm. They would love to be able to show off their talents and to get some support from the school community so please go along if you can. We all wish them well in the event tomorrow.

If you would like to join the choir, please join them in their practice on Wednesday evenings at 8pm at the school.

FABULOUS FRIENDS' DINNER, QUIZ, DANCE

The Friends have also asked me to remind you all about the Dinner, Quiz and Dance on Friday 9th November at the school. The theme is Mind the Gap, with Tube Station dress up and fish and chips on arrival. For more information please contact the Friends on fowccharity@gmail.com. We hope to see you all there.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to a learning filled week next week.



Mr B. Foley
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