# Spring term 24 – Celebrating Success at Wilbury!

Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to share all of the wonderful things we do to give your children what they deserve - the very best start to their education!

# **Sharing Wilbury's Excellent Practice with others!**

I am proud to say, there is a collective responsibility amongst all of our staff for raising standards and addressing educational disadvantage and this is what makes the difference here! The staff really are AMAZING!

This term, Wilbury has continued to host numerous schools and organisations to share Wilbury's whole school culture and approach in addressing educational disadvantage. I am a lead partner in the Enfield Disadvantage Network and Mrs Sovaros and Mrs Chaloner have continued to share our excellent reading programme and our outstanding Early Years practice, with local Haringey and Enfield schools this term. We are a very generous school, and we are proud of the work we are doing to support Marc Rowland (Expert Advisor - disadvantage), the Department for Education (DfE), and Education Endowment Foundation (EEF).



This term, Mrs Chaloner also worked closely with Ofsted to provide local high-quality training on developing communication and language in Early Years. The training was very gratefully received by local schools. It is brilliant that Wilbury is developing these important links.

#### Wilbury's Wonderful Opportunities for Children!

MANY THANKS to Mrs Knol Davies and Mr Hegarty for everything they are doing for the children's personal development. Our PSHE curriculum is excellent, and we are providing a wealth of leadership and enrichment opportunities this year. Our school improvement advisor, Anne Etchells, completed a deep dive into Personal Development and concluded that we have an 'exceptional offer!'

This term, I would like to take the time to celebrate our SUPERB music provision across the school. Mr Roberts works tirelessly to ensure our children get the very highest quality teaching and enrichment opportunities. We are incredibly lucky to have Mr Roberts in this important leading role - he brings such musical and cultural richness to the school!

#### Musical events and involvement this term include:

January 18<sup>th</sup> - Year 5/6 - Young Voices at the O2
Year 5 – all classes learning saxophones!
March 1<sup>st</sup> - Y1 Chinese New Year Assembly
March 22<sup>nd</sup> Year 2 Singalong Club Choir Festival at Oakthorpe School



#### Mr Roberts also runs the following Weekly Music Clubs:

Y5/6 Young Voices Choir
Y2 Singalong Club
Year 4 Recorders
Year 5 Advanced Recorders
Y5/6 African Drums

Many thanks to Mr Roberts for his INCREDIBLE hard work!

# Our DYNAMIC dance groups and their SUPERB teachers!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our dance coach Emily and Miss Sermet for their SUPERB efforts in preparing and showcasing our Wilbury children at the Enfield Dance Festival. Both groups performed brilliantly, and we are very proud of everything they have achieved!



# **HUGE thanks to Mrs Bussawon - our BRILLIANT RE subject Lead!**

Mrs Bussawon has worked hard with all of our staff this year to implement our new and improved RE curriculum. She also invited an excellent speaker, Ajmal Masroor, to share the similarities and differences between our world religions - it was so wonderful to see the children so inspired and united by this. It has also been great to showcase the children's learning in RE in a whole range of assemblies and visits to places of worship. Thank you, Mrs Bussawon, we feel very lucky to have you!

# **Celebrating our School Parliament and Pupil Leaders**

Our MPs and family council groups have been working hard to improve the school in the key areas of; online safety, charity work, school fundraising and eco & outdoor.

Mrs Clipson's team worked with the computing pupil leaders to promote online safety in class assemblies during children's mental health week. The children they spoke with were so engaged and it was great to see some peer-to-peer teaching in action – this is often so powerful!



Our whole School Parliament in session – all very professional and our children will be the leaders of the future!

Our exceptional eco leaders have been ably supporting Mrs Theodoulou to develop and maintain our beautiful outside areas. They have worked on the edible garden and the pond area, and they also went on a visit to look at the wetlands and decide how they can be better utilised to support the children's curriculum learning in school.

We are also very grateful to **Mrs Campbell, Katy, and our brilliant Year 5 & 6 buddies**. I thoroughly enjoy my buddy tea parties - this is a wonderful way to celebrate their hard work, commitment, and dedication to these important roles in school!

# Other enrichment opportunities which the children have thoroughly enjoyed this term include:

- Our Year 3 & 4 Pop Art Workshops and parent exhibitions! The work they produced was of such a high quality.
- Leo Powell's INSPIRATIONAL mentoring of two groups of our year 5/6 boys.
- Our BRILLIANT World Book Day!
- Year 3 really enjoyed their Iron Age survival workshop!
- I am proud to say, the Pantathlon team were runners up in the recent competition HUGE well done to them!
- We have had chicks in the Early Years and Nursery children have been making the most of the wonderful outside learning opportunities in spring time!



And much, much more...please look at the website and year group pages for all the extras!

I am so proud to be Headteacher at Wilbury and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for your continued love, interest and support for the school.

I wish you and your families a happy, safe and wonderful Easter holiday!

With very best wishes, Mrs Lisa Wise

