

L'hebdo



MENU FOR THE WEEK
WEEK TWO



GROWTH MINDSET THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
A MIND STRETCHED BY NEW EXPERIENCES CAN
NEVER GO BACK TO ITS OLD DIMENSIONS



ISSUE DATE
19/10/18

Visible Learning Update

As I'm sure you will already be aware, Visible Learning is the heartbeat to our teaching philosophy at Penkrigde Middle School. Visible Learning continues to be an integral feature of all lessons that teachers prepare and our children participate in. Ask your child where they see Visible Learning at school - can they explain to you how they use Learning Intentions and Success Criteria? Or maybe they can recall how they escaped the Learning Pit?



As a school, we continue to believe that Visible Learning allows teachers to see learning through the eyes of their students and for students to become their own teachers. Ask your child how they receive feedback in school - they'll be quick to mention live and 'Michaela' marking. Alternatively, ask them what strategies they use to help themselves, I'm sure phrases such as "Enable station", "WAGOLL", (What a good one looks like) and "5Bs" (Brain, board, book, buddy and boss) will spring to mind. All of these strategies are used throughout the school to encourage our children to become more assessment capable. This is when they are able to draw upon their own strategies to overcome the challenges they face in their learning.

We are currently recognised as a Visible Learning Affiliate school. This recognises the achievements and commitments we have made as a school during our Visible Learning Journey. Furthermore, it recognises our implementation of the principles of Visible Learning which are supported by the research of Professor John Hattie. As we now embark on year 3 of our Visible Learning journey, the school will be aiming to achieve Partner School status. To achieve this, we have gathered evidence and submitted a case study detailing our first 2 years of Visible Learning. We hope our initial application will be a success and look forward to hosting a Visible Learning event for the assessors to support our claims. We hope our application is successful and will update L'Hebdo with any future developments.

Mr Cole

Africa Day

On Tuesday 23rd October 2018, the school is planning an Africa Day for Year 6 – see letter below. All other students (in years 5, 7 & 8) can come in non-uniform in an African theme or the colours of an African flag for a £1 charity donation. Students can teach their teachers in class time about Africa.

INSET day reminder

Next Friday 26 October school is closed to pupils and consequently there will not be an issue of l'hebdo. Staff will be involved in a full programme of training ready for the rest of the academic year. Pupils return to school on Monday 5 November.

Uniform Sale

We have plenty of unclaimed lost property that we will be selling at bargain prices. Please call in to school from 3.30pm on Thursday 25 October and grab yourself a great deal.

Social Media / On-line Safety

We have a several incidents recently, particularly in KS3 where students have been unkind to others on-line using social media, outside of school. This causes upset and can affect relationships and therefore learning in school. Many social media sites have a minimum age as 13 so most of our students should not be on them anyway. Please can all parents be vigilant in terms of checking your child's on-line use out of school? We have a system in school which checks all students' on-line activity within school and we follow up any issues that arise. Thank you for your assistance in keeping all of the children happy and safe on-line.

Future Chef

This week we have had two intense school rounds of the Future Chef Competition in Year 8 Design Technology. Pupils have been asked to cook a one course meal for two people in one hour for just £5.

Pupils have been assessed on their organisation and time management, knife skills, the balance of their meal, presentation of their dish and of course the taste. Two pupils from this level of the competition will be selected to go through to the local regional round at University College Birmingham where they will compete with students from other schools between the ages of 12 and 16!

Pupils have worked very hard and the standard so far has been very high. Have a look on our Facebook page next week to see some of the photos of the amazing food!

Mrs McVittie and Mrs DeLoyde

Year 6 only - African Culture Day

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 6 Pupils will be learning about and exploring African Culture, Music, language and African Art. I have also arranged for an African artist called Sammy to come in and run workshops with each Year 6 class.

Each year 6 class will get to experience different techniques and processes created by Sammy. At the end of the day, all year 6 classes will gather together for a fantastic African Storytelling session with Sammy.

This is a great opportunity for every child to learn about other cultures and experiences.

Donations of £5.50 per child would be needed in order to run the day to help cover costs.

As other years all children can come in African style clothing but do not need to pay an additional £1.

Kind Regards

Claire Wheat

Lead Teacher of Art and Design

Please sign and bring in donations by Tuesday 16th October 2018.

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You can pay by Parent Pay or if this is not possible please contact the school office.

I have paid by Parent Pay

I have donated £5.50 to the cost of the African Culture Day for my

Daughter/Son.....in Class.....

Year 6, 7 and 8 only – Meet the Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers

We are holding a “Meet the Class Teacher” evening for parents of Y6, Y7 and Y8 pupils on Wednesday 7th November from 4 -7 pm.

During this evening, you will have a five minute appointment with your child’s class teacher to discuss how your child has settled into their new year, and to strengthen links between home and school. You will also receive your child’s interim report which will have information from each subject teacher regarding how your child has started this year, what they could do to improve and also what their annual targets are for core subjects.

Please return one slip to each child’s class teacher as soon as possible. Your child will be given a slip completed with your actual appointment time.

Yours sincerely
Mrs N Frost

Meet the Class Teacher Wednesday 7th November 2018

Child’s Name..... Class.....

I/We would like an appointment for Parents’ Evening. My/our preferred time slot is:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4.00-4.30 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> 5.30-6.00 pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4.30-5.00 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.00-6.30 pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5.00-5.30 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.30-7.00 pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am sorry but I will be unable to attend | |

Please give names/classes of your other children in Years 6, 7 and 8:

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It is important that parents return a slip to school, for each child, as soon as possible so that appointments can be coordinated between teaching staff where appropriate.

Star students

Class	Star Student
5CWK	Matthew Abley
5SJ	Charlie Richardson
5JB	Calum Preston
5TG	Freddie Davis-Hunt
6CA	Evie Painter
6LK	Millicent Godwin
6AP	Charlie Hill
6AG	Cody Richardson
7DM	Aimee Bramwell
7LW	John Heywood
7JW	Lucy Nield
7KM	Molly Hodgetts
7EN	Riley Murray
8SH	James Barnett
8SS	Phoebe Foster
8RC	Amber Wicks
8JM	Owen Evans

WAGOLL

This week we've seen some brilliant learning. These students produced work that was 'What a Good One Looks Like':

- Poppy McKnight
- Heather Richardson
- Leah Craddock-Frost
- Tye Greatbatch
- Ava Howard
- Megan Brevitt

Reading Cafe

Reading Café Rota 2018/19

Date	Class	Date	Class
09 November 2018	5CWK	22 March 2019	8JM
16 November 2018	5SJ	29 March 2019	8SH
23 November 2018	5TG	05 April 2019	6CA
30 November 2018	5JB	10 May 2019	6AG
07 December 2018	7EN	17 May 2019	6AP
18 January 2019	7JW	24 May 2019	6SE
25 January 2019	7LW	07 June 2019	5CWK
01 February 2019	7DM	14 June 2019	5SJ
08 February 2019	7KM	21 June 2019	5TG
08 March 2019	8SS	28 June 2019	5JB
15 March 2019	8RC		

Dates for your diary...more details to follow

Tuesday 23 October	Africa Day
Friday 26 October	INSET Day - school closed for students
Monday 29 - Wednesday 31 October	#SORTED Holiday Club
Wednesday 7 November	Meet the class teacher evening (Y6-8)

**REMEMBER TO FOLLOW US FOR UP TO DATE
MESSAGES AND CELEBRATIONS OF STUDENTS**

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