



William MacGregor Primary Newsletter

Week ending 25th June 2021

News...

As you are fully aware now, we had to make the very tough decision to close our school today due to the increasing number of positive cases and our ability to operate within health and safety guidelines. As I write this, I can confirm we have received a further 3 positive cases this afternoon. This now means we have 5 out of our 7 classes now isolating. This is devastating to us as we really thought our remote learning and isolation was behind us. We have continued to follow stringent COVID rules in school and adhere to our risk assessments but as much as we have enjoyed the easing of some restrictions out of school; Covid is still around and spreading rapidly in our community. Please continue to use lateral flow tests twice weekly to test yourselves and the family. You can collect these now from most chemists or order online at <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> If a lateral flow test is positive, please notify us on dojo (even out of school hours) and then you must gain a PCR test within 2 days. Teachers will be taking live registers every morning, and then follow with a mix of live and recorded lessons and we will have our achievement assembly on Thursday afternoon. Mrs Jones and myself will join morning registration as much as we can.

As a result of the school closure, the children will not be able to spend a morning with their new teacher as we had planned on a **transition morning**. It is vital that we keep teachers within their own bubbles but we will plan something fun remotely for children to find out their new teacher and introduce them once we are back in school. Due to the Prime Ministers delaying of the roadmap, this will also mean that we cannot have parents on site for **sports day**. Mr Massam has planned a sports day for the children on the **14th July** and we will run this keeping children within their bubbles but at the same time, trying to gain as much competing, good fun spirit as possible. We will take lots of photos and film events so you can see what we got up to. Children can wear their PE that day. On a more positive note, two weeks ago, we had **£1300 donated** to us by the Co-op on the Glascote Rd as part of their community dividend fund project. We were delighted with this donation and have earmarked it to continue to develop our outside area with a sensory garden for the children to enjoy. The school council will have more details about this before the end of term. In the meantime, look out for the article on the donation in the Tamworth Herald. We were also in the **Herald** this week for our fantastic musical offer here at WMG. Year 6 were showcasing their brass instrument playing as were the key stage 2 children involved in RockSteady. If you would like your child to join **RockSteady**, please contact the office for more details. I hope you all can enjoy some sort of weekend even if you are having to stay in with the isolating children. We hope to be back to full strength asap!

Star of the Week

Ladybirds – Willow & Lottie

Year 1 – Molly

Year 2 – Livy & Kyrah

Year 3 – Holly

Year 4 – Milo

Year 5 – Andrei

Year 6 – All of year 6

Birthday celebrations!

Georgia Toby
Willow Ellie-Mae

Jaxon

Georgie-Lea

Bethany Rosie H
Harper Noah M



**Congratulations to all badge winners this week.
Any children not in school will get their badge when they return.**

Ruby – Molly (Y1), Jacob & Eduard(Y3) Georgie-Lea(Y5)

**This week's
MacGregor
Mile Winners
are:
Ladybirds!**



Spelling Shed

Leaderboard this week:

- Year 3
- Year 6
- Year 4
- Year 5
- Year 1
- Year 2

Top Spellers:

- Hei-Kai Y - Y3
- Charlotte H - Y3
- Jack S - Y3



- Every week, there will be a battle in each class. Boys VS. Girls.
- Good luck!

This week's most valuable players:

- Year 2: Toby & Sarah
- Year 3 Ella & Kai-Hei
- Year 4: Alexia & Milo
- Year 5: Harvey
- Year 6: Ethan B & Eliza

Maths Shed

Leaderboard this week:

- Year 6
- Year 5
- Year 4
- Year 2
- Year 3
- Year 1

Top Mathstronauts:

- Andrei O - Y5
- Aida O - Y4
- Eliza B - Y6



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Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Mr M Shephard who won £14.10 last week. Mr Shephard has kindly donated his winnings back to the school.

We have raised £1212.00 so far.

We have a new area we are fund raising for now and this is the area to the side of the trim trail. We would like to put artificial grass here and develop a calm area where the children can relax.

 SCHOLASTIC



Every Child Deserves a Good Book

Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go to

<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/William-MacGregor/digital-book-club> to browse the

latest books and order online.

For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards.

School events

Reminder that our school website has all events taking place in school.

www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk

July

Monday 28th – Friday 2nd July – school closed due to increasing COVID cases. Children to access home learning.

5th – school closed for staff training day

6th – all children to return to school unless they are still within their isolation period.

6th - stay 'n' play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

7th - stay 'n' play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

14th – school reports go out and Sports Day

15th – draft plans for Yr6 leaver celebrations (parents keep this date free if possible – more details to come)

20th – last day of term