



# William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 21st January 2022

## News...

**Staff news** – It is with great sadness that at Easter we will be saying a very sad goodbye to Mrs Franks. Mrs Franks has been with us for many years as a class teacher and more recently a member of our senior leadership team and our special educational needs lead. I know that she has some very close relationships with lots of our parents due to some of the tailored support she has given families and children over the years. Mrs Franks has gained a promotion within the ATLP and after Easter she will take up an assistant-headteacher position at Mere Green Primary School. Being part of a multi-academy trust and with her role as part of the school improvement team for ATLP, we are hoping Mrs Franks will still play some part in special educational needs here at WMG. We know you will join us in wishing her all the best. We are currently going through the process of replacing her class teacher role in Yr1 and will update you as soon as we have this confirmed. Mr Moss has also gained a role in a different profession and will also be leaving us in the next month. Mr Moss has also been a valued member of our team starting out as an apprentice some years ago. Mr Moss will be very much missed in his inclusion assistant role and his lunch time role. We wish him all the best.

## Star of Week

LB – Gregory  
Year 1 – Teddi  
Year 2 – Olivia  
Year 3 – Alex  
Year 4 – Freddie  
Year 5 – Ellie-Mae  
Year 6 – Szeki



## Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Mr Clive Robotham who won £11.40 last week. Mr Robotham has very kindly donated this amount back to the school. We have raised £1735.20 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.

This week's  
MacGregor Mile  
Winners are:  
Year 4

Running 63 miles

## School events

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

[www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk)

## February

16<sup>th</sup> PTA school disco

17<sup>th</sup> end of spring 1 term

## Birthdays

Charlotte  
Logan  
Jake  
Brodi



## Congratulations to all badge winners this week.

Bronze Badges - Alastair, Kian, Finlay, Jake, Miley & Alex {Yr6}

Silver Badges – Orson {Yr4} Szeki & Josh {Yr6}

Gold Badges – Ellison, Teddy, Summer-Mai, Jaxon & Zachary {Yr1} Freddie, Holly, Jenson, Amelia & Charlotte {Yr4} Logan & Chase {Yr5}

Emerald Badges – Emilia P & Bella {Yr1} Luna {Yr2} Kai {Yr3}

## Spelling Shed



### Leaderboard this week:

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

### Top Spellers:

🏆 Sarah T - Y3  
🏆 Jack S - Y4  
🏆 Sophie - Y2



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

### This week's most valuable players:

Year 2: Evie & Emmie 🏆  
Year 3: Sarah & Louie 🏆  
Year 4: Kai Hei & Alisha 🏆  
Year 5: Alexia & Joseph 🏆  
Year 6: Lily & Harvey 🏆

## Maths Shed

### Leaderboard this week:

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

### Top Mathstronauts:

🏆 Jack S - Y4  
🏆 Sophie - Y2  
🏆 Charlotte H - Y4



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Next week's assembly topic. Please use this information to discuss this as a family at home. I am sure it will bring about great discussions.



## In the news this week

Ever since Rose Ayling-Ellis became the first deaf contestant to compete in Strictly Come Dancing, the number of people wanting to learn British Sign Language (BSL) has surged. One half of the overall winning couple, Rose was frequently seen using sign language on the show and she used a translator to interpret what others were saying.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > Have you ever seen sign language being used or used it yourself?
- > Can you make a list of all the different ways we communicate with each other? E.g. our body language, words, actions etc.
- > Do you think sign language is a skill that everyone should learn?



Please note any interesting thoughts or comments