



# William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 15th July 2022

## News...

The **year 5 and 6** children did a wonderful **performance last night of Oliver**. The Yr6 children have worked so hard this year leading up to their SATs and then following this, learning their lines and stage directions for their performance. They have certainly earned a few days rest now for their last few days at William MacGregor. Proud is not a strong enough word to say how we all feel about them. They have blown us away with how they have come back from a very challenging few years and performed their very best! 🥳 Well done to all the Yr5 children for learning the songs and singing so beautifully!

Huge thank you to Miss Marsh and Mrs Ford who have worked equally as hard with the children! Thank you for a really well attended **sports day** where the children and adults alike had the best day! Congratulations to Victoria House on being our overall winners 🏆 It was so lovely to share such a great day with the children and to see everybody have some fun in the sun. There are lots of pictures on dojo. Following sports day, the PTFA held the **summer discos** which were fantastically attended. This was year 6's last one at WMG so was a really special few hours. Between sports day drink sales and the discos a total of £629 was raised. Adding this to the £1500 raised from the summer fair makes this a very successful few weeks of fundraising. Thank you to all who have taken part and a special **thanks to all of the PTFA who have ran these events**. We look forward to see how much more we can raise next year for the benefit of all of our children. The PTFA are always in search of new members and helpers. If you would like to be more of an active member of our PTFA, please let me know.

Unfortunately you will have read that we have had to cancel our whole school bowling trips next week due to the **extreme heat forecast**. Please be mindful to send children to school with a drink of water each day next week that can be re-filled regularly here. If the weather is too hot, then the children will stay indoors but please apply sun cream in case they do go out. A hat is essential. Our **Rock Steady** bad members performed to the school and their family members on Tuesday afternoon – it was wonderful to see the enjoyment on their faces as they played and Adam talked about their progress. If anyone would like to join a band next year, please call the office.

## Star of the Week!

Ladybirds – Billy,  
George, Mason &  
Joshua

Year 1 – Dylan,  
Archie & Freddie

Year 2 – Sophie &  
Liliana

Year 3 – Louis  
Brown

Year 4 –

Year 5 – Logan &  
Mollie

Year 6 – All of  
Year 6!

**Last week's  
MacGregor  
Mile Winners  
were Yr 3  
Having run 75  
miles!**



Bronze - Lucas {LB}

Silver – Jackson {LB} Daisy {Yr2}

Gold – Thomas, Billy, Daisy, Archie W, Georgina, Joshua, Joel {LB} Jai – {Yr3}

Emerald green – Izzy {LB} Archie {Yr1} Jai, Lexi {Yr3} Kaycee-Rae {Yr4} Brodi, Logan, Ronnie {Yr5}

Ruby – Isabelle, Ted, Lottie, Joshua, Lily-May, Brooke {Yr1} Lexi {Yr3} Jenson, Amelia, Gabriel {Yr4} Brodi, Joseph, Rosie, Ellie-Mae, Milo, Tayla, Jahia, Logan, Terlea, Alex, Henry, Jude, Noah, Megan, Ronnie, Eliza, Chase, Nedelina {Yr5}

## Birthday celebrations!

Dario & Ted  
LB

Alisha & Seb  
Yr5

Jaiha &  
Tayla Yr5



## Spelling Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Spellers:

🐝 James B - Y3  
🐝 Evie - Y2  
🐝 Zack G - Y3



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

This week's most valuable players:

Year 2: & 🐝  
Year 3: James & Sarah 🐝  
Year 4: Alisha & Freddie 🐝  
Year 5: & 🐝  
Year 6: 🐝

## Maths Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Mathstronauts:

🐝 Alfie M - Y4  
🐝 Ella M - Y4  
🐝 Kitty F - Y4



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### Learning Futures project

This project will enhance education through the use of digital technology for all our children at William MacGregor and the Arthur Terry Learning Partnership.

The core objective of **Learning Futures** is to immerse and embed technology within learning and teaching, enhancing opportunities and outcomes for all. To facilitate this, we have committed to provide every child with the technological tools to help prepare them for a future that will require a wide range of skills and knowledge.

As you know from my DoJo post the other Sunday, William MacGregor is in the Pilot Phase of **Learning Futures**. This means that every child will receive a fully funded iPad to use in lessons and for Yrs3-6 children, at home in September 2022. For our Ladybirds children, they will have access to 15 ipads to support their learning in school.

To ensure the effective use of technology, teachers will continue receive ongoing professional development. iPads will be used to enhance the existing curriculum.

To help make **Learning Futures** a real success, we are committed to ensuring you, as parents or carers, will have all the information and support you need to engage with this exciting stage of your child's time with us. More information and engagement events will be launched in the autumn term.

Please familiarise yourself with the below policies related to the ATLP Learning Futures Project:

- [ATLP E-Safety Policy](#)
- [ATLP Acceptable Use Policy – Students](#)
- [FAQs](#)

We look forward to the launch of the Learning Futures Project and seeing the transformational impact it will have on all those within our school community.



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### 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)

### July

19<sup>th</sup> – Y6 parent lunch (12.45pm)

21<sup>st</sup> – School finishes for summer at normal time

### September

7<sup>th</sup> September – first day back for all children

### Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Miss E Noakes who won £8.10 last week and very kindly donated this amount back to school. Thank you.

We have raised £2082.40 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. See some of our ideas below.

Tamworth Council have been gifted **44 free tickets** for this fabulous event on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Please come and collect from the office if you would like tickets for this concert. A great experience for adults and children.

## Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra plus Russell Watson and The Overtones



Join the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra in Tamworth Castle Grounds for a rousing celebration of music from the movies.

### Saturday 23 July

From the instantly recognisable themes of Raiders of the Lost Ark and Harry Potter to the magnificent dinosaurs as depicted in John Williams' Jurassic Park, there's no better way to experience the music that has defined many of the most powerful moments in cinema.

Indulge in the grounds of Tamworth Castle to the sounds of Chariots of Fire and The Great Escape, soar across the skies with ET's Flying Theme and gallop into the sunset with The Magnificent Seven, all with the grandeur of a full orchestra.

