



William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 14th October 2022

News.....

We have had such a busy week in school this week. A huge thank you to all of you who helped us walk to [St George's church](#) on Wednesday. Without the parent/grandparent help we would not be able to go. Rev. Gary led us all in a really powerful harvest service which really made the children think about where their food comes from and how we can be thankful for so many things. I have been overwhelmed with the amount of donations for the [FoodBank](#) that you have sent in with the children this week; it is incredible. We will take these to the local FoodBank over the next week. Please, please come and see myself or the office staff if you need vouchers to access the FoodBank.

Also this week the children took part in an assembly all about the '[SEE Monster](#)'. This was a virtual assembly showcasing the newly installed decommissioned North Sea platform art installation at Weston-Super-Mare. The children had lots of questions and showed great interest which then sparked off other conversations about renewable energy and other renewable technologies. Take a look at it yourself online.

The children (and staff) looked amazing today dressed up as their '[Times table Rockstar](#)'. They had great fun completing times table battles throughout the day and focusing their maths work around this. If your child is in years 2-6, they have this on their iPad to practise each night and see if they can make it into our TTRS 'Hall of Fame.' We had a [visit](#) from Tom Manners this week, who is our maths lead across all schools for ATLP and he was amazed by the maths teaching and learning that is happening here at WMG. He commented; 'I had a wonderful morning at WMG today seeing how the lovely staff deliver maths. I saw fantastic uses of variation in choice of examples, representations aplenty, mathematical thinking and confident speaking learners fully engaged.' This is common to the visitors we have in school, I am always so proud of the staff and children in their approach to teaching and learning.

A huge thank you to Mr Neiland and Mrs McNerlin who took the children to [football and cross-country competitions](#) this week. There is more information below but I know they not only displayed our school values of courage and ambition but represented our school so well. Well done all involved.

On Wednesday, we will be holding our [open morning](#) for any children thinking about joining us in September 2023. This will begin at 9am. Please pass this message on to anybody who you know may want to attend.

Mrs Jones

Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Mrs S Olinic who won £8.10 last week and has very kindly donated this back to the school.

Thank you.

We have raised £2,215.60 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. This will be an area dedicated to reflection, one that reaches our senses and

Birthday celebrations



Reuben
Mikolaj
Pearl
Henry



LB - Olly
YEAR 1 - Gabriel
YEAR 2 - Olivia
YEAR 3 - Lewis
YEAR 4 - Toby
YEAR 5 - Isla
YEAR 6 - Harper



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Key Dates –

October:

- 19th – Y4 at Derby Faith Trail
- 19th – Open morning for Rec 2023
- 20th – Last day of term
- 21st – INSET day
- 31st – Return to school

November:

- 7th – Flu immunisation LB-Y6
- 28th – INSET day

December:

- 8th – KS1 Nativity 6pm {Parents invited}
- 9th – LB Nativity 9am (Parents Invited)
- 12th – Xmas craft morning LB-Y6 9am {Parents invited}
- 13th – Parents evening
- 14th – Xmas lunch
- 16th – End of term

January:

- 4th – INSET day
- 5th – Return to school

Head of School

Huge congratulations go to Mrs Jones who was successful at interview last week and is now our newly appointed Head of School. With my new role as Strategic Lead for the Trust, it is important for our school to have a Head of School in post and with Mrs Jones in this role it means that William MacGregor will be in a very strong place under her leadership. She has fabulous vision, passion and determination for our school and I know it will continue to flourish under her leadership. I will still be in school each week working with Mrs Jones and seeing the staff, children and hopefully parents on the gate. I know you will offer her your congratulations when you see her next and continue to support her and our school. Our close working relationships is a real strength of our community and it plays a big part in the success of the children.

Thank you. Mrs Norton



Congratulations to all badge winners this week

Bronze – Izzy, Tobias, Theo, Rebeca, Mia, George, Jackson, Archie W, Maya, Martha {Yr1} Evalyn-Rose, Alexander, Isabelle, Pearl, Layla, Martynas, Joshua, Willow, Dixie, Hugo, Olivia, Lily-May, Lily {Yr2} Dakota, Isabella, Lily, Emelia, Alexandra, Emi, Nevaeh, Maggie, Kyran, Ollie, Toby, Lewis, Euan, Liliana, Roo {Yr3} Livy, Noah, Brody, Chase, Sarah, Sylvia, James, Ella-Ro {Yr4} Ella, Holly, Kaycee-Rae, Orson, Beau, Amelia, Seb, Charlotte, Gabriel, Lily, Ted, Mason, Jacob, Mia, Isla, Tommy, Eduard, Kitty, Alfie D, Lexi, Alfie M {Yr5} Joseph, Harper, Ellie-Mae, Morgan, Megan, Ronnie {Yr6}

Silver – Ivy, Olivia, Noah {Yr3}



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Sporting Success Football

Congratulations to the Year 5/6 football team for coming 3rd in the tournament held at Landau Forte, Amington on Tuesday.

All 10 were a credit to the school and showed skill, positive attitude and great determination in each game.



Cross Country

Well done to our Year 3 / 4 team of runners who persevered and showed resilience in the cross country meet held at Rawlett on Thursday. They supported each other well and are determined to practise so that running longer distances gets easier and easier 🏃 🏃



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Maths Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Mathstronauts:

🐝 Brody H - Y4
🐝 Rebeca T - Y1
🐝 Jack S - Y5

Spelling Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Spellers:

🐝 Skyler J - Y2
🐝 Bella H - Y2
🐝 Victoria B - Y5



HALL OF FAME



UNDER 1 SEG

Efion G, Milo B,



UNDER 2 SEGS

Max T, Victoria B, James B,
Sarah T, Millie T-M, Eliza P,
Aida O, Harper M, Alex H,
Chase H, Rosie H, Alexia F,
Ronnie C, Rosie A-R,



UNDER 3 SEGS

Jacob H, Terlea T,
Chloe D, Noah C,
Joseph A-R,



UNDER 4 SEGS

Charlotte H, Kitty F,
Noah H, Livy P, Elijah
E, Nedi S, Megan D,



UNDER 5 SEGS

Brodi D



UNDER 6 SEGS

Zack G, Isabella H



UNDER 7 SEGS

Jaiha H



UNDER 8 SEGS

Layton W, Emi Z, Ivy
F



UNDER 9 SEGS

Gracie J



UNDER 10 SEGS



OVER 10 SEGS

Lexi E, Louis B, Sylvia
H, Euan H, Isabella
M, Lewis P, Ellie-Mae
N,

TAKEHOME

17 - 23
October



**If we do something wrong,
who should decide the consequences?**

In the news this week

All Lidl chocolate bunnies are to be melted after chocolate maker, Lindt, said they looked too similar to their own bunny shaped chocolate treat. The Federal Supreme Court of Switzerland said that regardless of whether Lidl's packaging was golden or a different colour, they had too much similarity. The ruling banned the supermarket from selling the bunnies and ordered ones already produced to be destroyed.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you think it was the right decision to make Lidl melt down all the chocolate bunnies? Can you suggest any different ways the issue could have been resolved?
- > Have you ever heard the saying, 'what goes around comes around'? Has anyone at home ever said it? What do you imagine it means and do you agree?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

