



# William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 21st October 2022

## News.....

Thank you so much for the many congratulations I have received this week in my new post. I couldn't have been more proud of our school and our children yesterday during our open morning and today when we had a whole school review morning; it proved why I am so dedicated to ensuring our children have the best start to their education journey possible. I work with and lead the best staff who really do go above and beyond for our children. I can not believe we have completed our first half term already but I know that children and staff are ready for the well deserved break; they have worked so hard these last 7 weeks and the progress being made in all areas of learning is incredible. Our Little Wandle phonic teaching has gone from strength to strength, iPads are impacting on learning outcomes already and our maths mastery journey is developing all of the time. Today, Tracy Ruddle, who led our school review, highly praised teaching and learning at WMG and the way leaders across the school are impacting on outcomes. I am so excited for what more is to come. A huge thank you to you too; home/school partnership is the key to success. 🐝

**Staff news** – thank you for making Miss Bramell so welcome this term. Miss Bramell (who is our school SENCo) has met and spoken with lots of you already and is having a huge impact on progress. Unfortunately, Mrs Welsby who worked in our ladybird classroom last year left us at the start of this term. Mrs Bailey stepped into the ladybird support role and has been instrumental in our new children settling into school and making huge progress. After half term and after successful recruitment, Mrs Conway (who already works in school) will support Mrs McNerlin in the teaching of ladybirds on a full time permanent basis and Mrs Edwards (who also works in school already) will become our new inclusion assistant in lower key stage 2 on a full time basis. I know you will welcome them and support them in their new roles.

**Harvest** – the FoodBank were overwhelmed yesterday with the donations from yourselves. They stood in amazement as we kept bringing more food from our cars and they wanted to share their thanks with you. They were telling us how they are so busy at the moment so this food will be put to very good use.

**INSET** – tomorrow all teaching staff will be travelling to our partner ATLP school Slade Primary in Erdington to receive further training in the implementation of iPads across our school. The staff will continue their professional development in this area and look at how iPads can be used more widely across our curriculum. Recently all staff have become Apple teachers and I am looking forward to the children becoming experts too. Please look after the iPads over the holiday period. Have a safe and restful break, Mrs Jones x

## Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Mrs C Fairfax-Haycox who won £8.40 last week.

We have raised £2226.80 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 provides an area of calmness and sanctuary.



## Birthdays celebrations

James Y3  
Martha Y1  
Alessa LB

## This week's Talk on Tuesday assembly topic:



How has football influenced black history?



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## Key Dates –

### October:

20<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

21<sup>st</sup> – INSET day

31<sup>st</sup> – Return to school

### November:

7<sup>th</sup> – Flu immunisation LB-Y6

9<sup>th</sup> - Y4 Derby Faith Trail - rearranged

28<sup>th</sup> – INSET day

### December:

8<sup>th</sup> – KS1 Nativity 6pm {Parents invited}

9<sup>th</sup> – LB Nativity 9am (Parents Invited)

12<sup>th</sup> – Xmas craft morning LB-Y6 9am {Parents invited}

13<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening

14<sup>th</sup> – Xmas lunch

16<sup>th</sup> – End of term

### January:

4<sup>th</sup> – INSET day

5<sup>th</sup> – Return to school



## HALL OF FAME



UNDER 1 SEG

Fion G, Milo B,



UNDER 2 SEGS

Max T, Victoria B, James B,  
Sarah T, Millie T-M, Aida O,  
Harper M, Alex H, Chase H,  
Rosie A-R, Jude W



UNDER 3 SEGS

Jacob H, Terlea T, Chloe  
D, Noah C, Joseph A-R,  
Megan D, Henry F, Taula  
H, Ellie-Mae N, Nedi S,



UNDER 4 SEGS

Charlotte H, Kitty F,  
Noah H, Livy P, Elijah  
E, Brodi D



UNDER 5 SEGS

Logan W,



UNDER 6 SEGS

Zack G, Isabella H,  
Jaiha H



UNDER 7 SEGS



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,



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