

## William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 16th December 2022

News.....

As we end our first term of this academic year, it always forces us to reflect on the months that have passed. I have been thinking how fortune we are in in our community to be ending this term altogether and have spent a long time thinking about what it must be like for the headteacher, staff, and community of those poor boys who died this week just up the road in Solihull. How the schools have managed to re-open this week and bring their community through this awful time must be so devastating; the closeness to Christmas and the usual joy that that brings compounds the tragedy even more so. Please keep this community in your thoughts and keep safe over this festive break.

The children have shown fantastic learning behaviours this term and I hope you felt that that was reflected in your child's parents evening this week. As a school, we have made great strides in our school improvement journey this term and will continue to work hard to strive towards an even greater degree of excellence next term. Thank you for your continued support in my first term as head of school.

In this continued journey of improvement; I am pleased to announce that last week Miss Marsh was successful in being appointed as assistant headteacher here at WMG. Miss Marsh is already a very valued member of our leadership team and I am excited for her role to have an even greater impact on whole school improvement moving forward. I know you will wish her well in this new role.

A huge thank you has to go out to you all, your extended families and the children for the amazing amount of money you have raised for this years 'Ruldolph Run'. Altogether you have raised a staggering £3208 for St. Gile's Hospice. I am truly amazed by your generosity; the most we have ever raised as a school. In the new year, we will be presenting St Giles with this money and hope they can come and speak with the children about their role. 'Jolly Jumper' day also raised £75 and this will go towards this total.

We also raised £107.67 from the children buying poppies last month. All this money has been donated to the British Legion. Again a huge thank you.

I hope you can have a very restful and enjoyable Christmas, we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Wednesday 4th January.

Mrs Jones



Ladybirds - Olly

Year 1 – Maya

Year 2 – Layla

Year 3 - Olivia

Year 4 – Ava

Year 5 – Edi

Year 6 - Tayla

# Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Mr M Shephard who won £8.40 last week. This has very kindly been donated back to our school. Thank you.

We have raised £2,316.00 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. This will be an area dedicated to reflection, one that reaches our senses and provides an area of calmness and sanctuary.



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**Key Dates -**

#### January:

3rd - INSET day 4th – Return to school 10th - Young Voices (Choir)

#### February:

1st - PTFA Film night 3.30-5pm approx {more details to follow} 15th - KS1 Bedtime Story 5-6pm 17th - End of term

# **Maths Shed**

#### Leaderboard this week:

Year 5

Year 1

Year 3

Year 2

Year 6

Year 4

#### Top Mathstronauts:

Gabriel - Y5

🕷 Rebeca - Y1

**X** Katherine - Y2

### Birthday celebrations



Esmae Yr1 Emilia Yr2 Lily Yr3 Sylvia Yr4 Milo Yr6 Jude Yr6





#### Leaderboard this week:

Year 3

Year 2

Year 1

Year 6

Year 5

Year 4

#### Top Spellers:

M Luna - Y3

**8** Toby - Y3

**8** Evalyn-Rose - Y2



Congratulations to all badge winners this week: Archie A (Silver)



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