



# William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 31st March 2023

## News.....

Yesterday we said a 'see you soon' to **Mrs McNerlin** our amazing early years lead and teacher. It is only a 'see you soon' as Mrs McNerlin is just going a short drive up the road to become acting Assistant Headteacher at Two Gates Primary School on secondment just for the summer term. We are all very sad to see Mrs McNerlin go but I am comforted by the fact that it is only for the term and she will be back with us in September. It is a fantastic opportunity for her and as part of our 'One Trust' ethos, we are sharing her amazing practise in another of our schools. Mrs Douglas will take up the role of EYFS teacher for the summer.

Wow - what a day we had in school yesterday! As I always say, it is my favourite day in school. I love seeing the **Easter bonnets** and such amazing egg designs that the children create. Yesterday was no different and even Mrs Norton couldn't keep away! A lovely parade from our youngest children and I was wowed by key stage two's egg designs - what talent!! See the photos attached for our winners!! I am glad I did not have that job! The children also took part in the **Easter raffle** and a huge thank you for all your chocolate egg donations and generosity in allowing the children to buy tickets. I will update you as to how much we raised when it has been counted. This money will be given to Tamworth Food bank to help them buy supplies.

Also, we were able to give out many bronze badge '**Children's University**' awards. These children have completed 30 hours of extra-curricular activities that have allowed them to gain this award. Well done to all!

We have had some **fantastic performances** in school this week. On Wednesday, we were treated to a retelling of Jesus' life and death narrated and sang to us by year 3 and year 4. Parents and family were treated to a narrated musical show at St George's Church and what a show it was! All the children were brave, courageous, knew their parts and displayed excellent oracy and musical skills - I truly loved it! Thank you to the teachers involved (especially Ms Tuton) for preparing the children so well.

We were also treated to our termly **Rock Steady show** on Tuesday. The children sang and played brilliantly and are trying out all new parts of the band. Well done all involved!

I have added some new dates to the calendar below. Years 3 and 4 will be using their oracy skills to '**show case**' their learning to parents on the 18th and 19th April in the school hall at 2.45pm. They will give you a guided tour of their learning to date prepared and delivered by themselves. **Parents evening** booking is now live to book on to. Please do this over the holidays.

As we come to the end of another term; I wanted to thank you our school community for the support you give us as a whole each and every day. It is a pleasure to see the children enjoying their learning and all that school life has to offer and I am so proud of everything we achieve. This term the staff and children rose to the call of OFSTED and most importantly I am seeing our 5 values of respect, being emotionally aware, ambition, courage and honesty each day in the children in all areas of school life. Now is the time for a rest, family time and hopefully the start of some nice weather. Enjoy the Easter break and we will see everybody back in school on Monday 17th April.

Mrs Jones x



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**Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update**  
Congratulations to Miss M Sheward who won £7.50 last week.

We have raised £2438.00 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.

**Ladybirds – Noor**

**Year 1 – Tobias**

**Year 2 – Lily**

**Year 3 – Keanan**

**Year 4 – Gracie**

**Year 5 – Tommy**

**Year 6 – Eliza**



## Congratulations to all badge winners this week!

Silver – Archie W (Yr1) Joshua (Yr2)

Gold – Esmae, Thomas, Zac, Jackson, Georgia, Ana (Yr1)  
Summer-Mai (Yr2) Kyras, Sylvia, Chase (Yr4)

Emerald – Theo, Archie A (Yr1) Alexander, Willow (Yr2)

Ruby - Noah (Y3)



## Spring term totals:

1<sup>st</sup> Place – George with 5451 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Charles with 5442 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Elizabeth with 4989 points

4<sup>th</sup> Place – Victoria with 4878 points

## Birthday celebrations



Carter H  
Joshua H  
Alexandra  
Chloe  
Maya L  
Livy  
Louis  
Sarah



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## Key Dates –

### March:

31st - INSET day

### April:

17th - All children return to school.

18th-19th - Year 5 in London

18th - Y3 Showcase of Learning 2.45pm

19th - Y4 Showcase of Learning 2.45pm

24th & 25th - Y5 Bike ability

25th - Parents Evening 2-7pm

### May:

1st - Bank holiday (school closed)

4th - School closed for polling day (Y6 in school)

5th - Whole school King's Coronation celebration (more details to follow)

8th - Bank holiday (school closed)

9th - 12th - Y6 SATs week

12th - Y2 Visit Tamworth Castle

15th - 26th - Y2 SATs week

26th - Last day of half term

### June:

5th - All children return to school.

7th - September 2023 new intake parents meeting

12th - 16th - Y1 phonic screener week

20th - Sports day (KS2 am, KS1 pm)

23rd - Whole school trip day (more details to follow)

28th - Children's University graduation

### July:

4th - ATLP Student Awards

5th-7th - Y6 transition to QEMS

6th - Moving up morning (Ch. Meet new teachers)

7th - End of school reports sent out

11th - Y6 Leavers production 6pm Coton Centre

15th - Summer Fair 12-3pm

21st - End of the school year

## Maths Shed

### Leaderboard this week:

Year 3

Year 2

Year 1

Year 6

Year 5

Year 4

### Top Mathstronauts:

🏆 Lucas H - Y2

🏆 Noah C - Y6

🏆 Evie F - Y3

## Spelling Shed

### Leaderboard this week:

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 1

Year 6

Year 5

### Top Spellers:

🏆 Skyler J - Y2

🏆 Lucas H - Y2

🏆 Emi - Y3



## HALL OF FAME



UNDER 1 SEG

James B, Zack G



UNDER 2 SEGS

Livy P, Toby S, Brody H



UNDER 3 SEGS

Evie F, Louis B, Ella Ra, Stefi S, Nevaeh S, Leart G, Jai N, Alex B



UNDER 4 SEGS

Ella Ra, Finn M, Jenson D, Ella Ro, Layton, Ivy F, Maya L, Chase C



UNDER 5 SEGS

Suliva H, Seb H, Isabel G



UNDER 6 SEGS

Kurah H, Eva C



UNDER 7 SEGS

Olivia L



UNDER 8 SEGS

Emmy P, Layla M, Kaucee P



UNDER 9 SEGS



UNDER 10 SEGS



MANABE

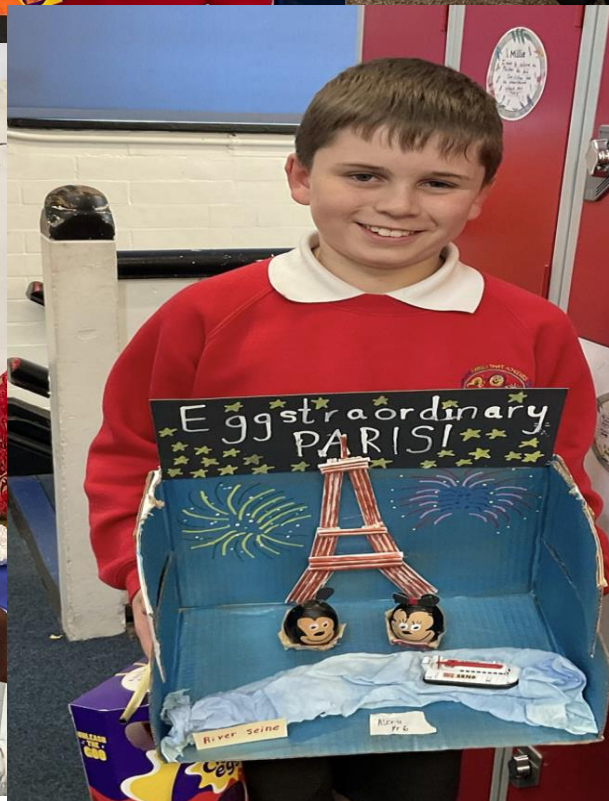
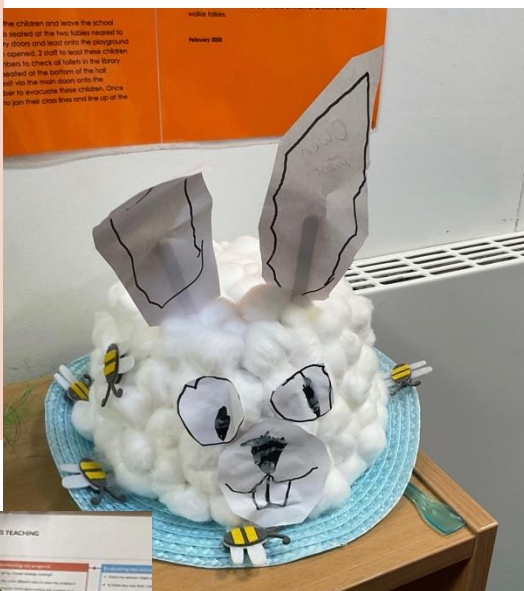
Lexi H, Layla M, Ava O,





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# ATTENDANCE AT WILLIAM MACGREGOR

THIS WEEK	27/3/23
WHOLE SCHOOL	96.9%
LADYBIRDS	94.6%
YEAR 1	94.5%
YEAR 2	98.9%
YEAR 3	94.4%
YEAR 4	99.6%
YEAR 5	98.5%
YEAR 6	97.8%

IT IS GOOD TO BE GREEN!

COME ON WMG, WE NEED  
TO IMPROVE  
ATTENDANCE  
WE ARE AIMING FOR 97%

THE CLASS NEXT WEEK  
WITH THE BEST  
ATTENDANCE GETS AN  
EXTRA PLAYTIME



Year 4 have the  
best attendance  
this week!

Well done year 4!

**Why is high attendance  
important for your child's  
education?**

As a parent/carer you want the best life chances for your child/children. Being in school every day gives them the very best chance of achieving this. GCSE'S may seem a long way off for your child but 90% of children with average attendance at primary school and into secondary school of around 85% fail to achieve 5 or more GCSEs and one third of children fail to gain any.

Poor attendance in school will limit children's ability to achieve their full potential and this will impact opportunities in life.



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