



William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 26th May 2023

News.....

Today marks the end of another very busy term. I cannot believe that we are about to enter our last half term of the year and it is always full of exciting events. Please make note of key dates on the newsletter that are coming up this term.

Thank you once again to our amazing **PTA** who enabled the children to have a wonderful school disco this week. It is always great when we can have these outside and I know the children had a fabulous time. Thank you to the staff that stay and support these events also. All money raised goes back to the children in school.

Staff news - as with any school year this time of year marks planning for the new academic year and often means staff moving on and joining our team; this year is no different. In July we will be saying a very sad farewell to Miss Noakes who has been at WMG for 10 years. Miss Noakes is leaving us for a secondment opportunity within the ATLP as a lead coach and mentor for early career teachers within the Trust; a role I know she will love. Sadly, Mrs Ford will also be leaving us in July as she is retiring to spend more time with her family. Mrs Ford has been with WMG for 23 years and I know she will be sadly missed but is very much looking forward to this new chapter in her life after serving our children so well for so many years. Miss Grief will be joining our teaching team and having been with us since January this year I know will be an excellent addition. Miss Paton was also successful at interview for our learning mentor/pastoral role which we are very excited about as this is a new role in school to provide our children with more emotional and well-being support. Miss Blackhall will also be joining us to replace Miss Paton's lunchtime supervisor role. I know you will wish our leaving staff much luck and make our new joining staff very welcome.

SEND Co- many of you already know but Miss Bramell who worked with us each week supporting our children has moved across ATLP to work with another hub of schools. Mrs Evans who does the same role as Miss Bramell has taken on this role with us and many of you have already met her. They have been working together over the last few weeks so this transition has been seamless.

I hope children enjoy a well-earned rest over the half term and make the most of the amazing sunshine that is forecast.

If you have any concerns over the safety of a child whilst we are closed, please do not hesitate to phone Staffordshire safeguarding team on 0300 111 8007

See you all on Monday 5th June.

Mrs Jones

Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations Ms L Hughes to who won £7.50 last week and has very kindly donated this back to the school. Thank you.

We have raised £2558.80 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.

Birthday celebrations

Noah C
Thomas
Stefi
Darcy
Tamzin

Carter M
Emelia H
Molly H
Izzy
Lili





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LB - Kobi

YEAR 1 - Martha

YEAR 2 - Emmy

YEAR 3 - Molly

YEAR 4 - Ella

YEAR 5 - Jacob &

YEAR 6 - Logan



Congratulations to all badge winners this week!

Silver – Logan (LB)

Emerald – Martha (Yr1) Pearl (Yr2) Dakota, Nevaeh, Isabelle (Yr3)
James (Yr4) Holly, Tommy (Yr5)

Ruby – Mia (Yr1) Victoria, Isla (Yr5)



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Key Dates –

June:

5th - All children return to school. Class photos and year 6 photos.
 7th - September 2023 new intake parents meeting
 12th - 16th - Y1 phonic screener week
 14th, 15th, 16th - Father's/special person breakfast 8am
 20th - Sports day (KS2 am, KS1 pm)
 23rd - Whole school trip day
 28th - Children's University graduation
 29th - Year 1 'Learning Showcase' to parents 2.45pm

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

September:

4th & 5th - INSET DAYS (School closed for children)
 6th - New school year begins for all children

Maths Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Mathstronauts:

🏆 Lucas H - Y2
 🏆 Ella R - Y4
 🏆 Livy P - Y4

Spelling Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Spellers:

🏆 Ivy F - Y3
 🏆 Ella R - Y4
 🏆 Lucas H - Y2



HALL OF FAME



UNDER 1 SECS

James B, Zack G,
 Noah H, Kai-Hei Y



UNDER 2 SECS

Livy P, Toby S, Brody
 H, Jai N, Leart G,
 Louis B, Holly R



UNDER 3 SECS

Evie F, Ella Ra, Stefi
 S, Nevaeh S, Alex B,
 Chace C, Alfie A,
 Mason S



UNDER 4 SECS

Ella Ra, Finn M, Ella
 Ro, Layton, Maya L,
 Eva C, Sylvia H,
 Tommy S, Ted C



UNDER 5 SECS

Seb H, Isabel G,
 Mason S, Alfie D



UNDER 6 SECS

Kyrah H, Tommy S,
 Kaycee P, Lexi H



UNDER 7 SECS

Chloe J
 Sophie H, Kaycee P



UNDER 8 SECS

Emmy P,
 Layla M,



UNDER 9 SECS



UNDER 10 SECS

Max W



Layla M, Ava O,



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This is next week's Talk Topic:

TAKEHOME



**Could your local area
be more inclusive?**



In the news this week

A new project announced by the Greek government hopes to make hundreds of the country's beaches wheelchair accessible by installing remote-operated ramps and making toilets accessible to all. Greek company Tobea invented Seatrac a special track, allowing wheelchair users direct access to the sea. The aim is to install this solar-powered feature at 287 beaches across the country. So far, the improvements have already been installed at more than 140 beaches.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Think about your local area, e.g., parks, shops, pavements. Do you think they are accessible to all? Can you come up with any ways that they could be made more accessible?
- Share your thoughts on the Seatrac idea. Would you like to see it on a visit to the beach?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss





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ATTENDANCE AT WILLIAM MACGREGOR

THIS WEEK	22/5/23
WHOLE SCHOOL	95.2%
LADYBIRDS	95.6%
YEAR 1	94.4%
YEAR 2	96.9%
YEAR 3	94.8%
YEAR 4	94.5%
YEAR 5	95.7%
YEAR 6	95.1%

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 2 have the
best attendance
this week!

Well done Year 2!

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

As a parent/carers 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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