

WILLIAM MACGREGOR'S NEWSLETTER

Welcome back after the half term break. I hope that you were able to find sometime over the holiday for some rest and family time away from the business of the school term. This is a packed term in school life so please take note of the school calendar dates that are attached.

I hope that everybody has even able to meet their child's class teacher this week for a **parent consultation** and that you felt this was a good opportunity to discuss your child's progress so far. Thank you to all the parents/family members that were able to make our whole school **learning showcase** on Tuesday too. From the parents I spoke with, this was very well received and a great opportunity to come into the children's classroom and explore their curriculum learning to date. As I have mentioned before, we have moved most of the children's independent practise on to the **iPads** this year. Using Showbie, children organise their learning journey in most areas. At home you are able to see your child's learning journey on a daily basis via the children's iPad so please take this opportunity as much as possible so that you can discuss learning with children which will help their explanations and aid embedding of key knowledge. The iPads also allow for children to continue their learning at home via stored apps like Timetable Rockstars, Spelling and Number Shed and Number Bots.

Children had a day off timetable today to mark **Remembrance Day**. All children and staff marked this poignant event by taking part in a 2 minute silence at 11am as well as a day of work around Walter Tull. We began the day with a whole school assembly and finished back together sharing the super learning completed throughout the day. Please see what the children achieved and spent their day learning on Class dojo pages.

Last academic year, we began to trial our parent voice sessions where you were invited to come along to school to have your say on a variety of school matters of your choice. This began to grow as the year progressed. This year however, I am very keen to formalise this further with a structured **'Parent Council'** to compliment our Student Council. In doing this, I hope all stakeholders feel they are able to contribute to school life and improvement. I am hoping we will be able to meet once a month at a suitable time for all. Please contact me if this is something that you feel you would like to be part of – it would be amazing to have a representative from each year group.

Have a wonderful weekend
Mrs Jones and team x



MATHS SHED

Leaderboard:

Year
Year
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Top Mathstronauts:



SPELLING SHED

Leaderboard:

Year
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Top Spellers:



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Key Dates

November:

13th-17th: Anti-bullying week
14th: Y2 library visit
17th: Whole school maths day
20th-23rd: Book Fair in school
21st: Y3 library visit
28th: Y4 library visit

December:

1st: INSET day (School closed to all ch.)
5th: Y5 library visit
12th: Y6 library visit and Rocksteady concert (2.15pm)
13th: Y1 and Y2 Nativity at St Edithas church 6pm
15th: Ladybirds Nativity at Elim Church 9am
18th: Ladybirds Xmas craft 9-10.15am and Y4 Xmas craft 2-3.15pm
19th: Y1 Xmas craft 9-10.15am and Y5 Xmas craft 2-3.15pm
20th: Y2 Xmas craft 9-10.15am and Y6 Xmas craft 2-3.15pm
20th: Xmas lunch
21st: Y3 Xmas craft 9-10.15am
22nd: Whole school Carol concert and last day of term

January:

8th: INSET day (school closed for all ch.)
9th: All ch. return to school
10th: Young Voices Concert

February:

9th: Last day of half term
19th: First day of Spring 2

March:

4th - 8th: Year 6 in France
19th: Yr 3 and Y4 Easter production at St George's Church 6pm
21st: Parents Evening (2-7pm)
22nd: Easter bonnet parade, Easter assembly and last day of term

April:

8th: INSET day (School closed to all pupils)
9th: First day of Summer term

TT ROCKSTARS

Congratulations to all of the children who have improved their rock speed this week!

Rock Hero (under 1 sec) -

Tommy S

Rock Legend (under 2 secs)-

Ted C, Isla D, Beau O

Rock Star (under 3 secs)-

Amelia W

Headliner (under 4 secs) -

Support Act (under 5 secs)-

Breakthrough Artist (under 6 secs)-



HOUSE POINTS



Congratulations to all of our badge winners this week! 🏆

Bronze – Lucas (Yr1) Thomas, Elijah, Joshua, Ana (Yr2) Maya (Yr5) Holly, Theo, Gabriel (Yr6)



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ATTENDANCE

Whole School:

Ladybirds:

Year 1:

Year 2:

Year 3:

Year 4:

Year 5:

Year 6:



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.

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 have
the best
attendance
this week!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Happy birthday to all children celebrating their birthday this week! 🎂



Theo (Yr1)
Mia (Yr2)
Finn (Yr5)
Jenson (Yr6)

SCHOOL LOTTERY

Congratulations to Mrs F Allen who won £5.40 last week.

We have raised £2764.40 so far.

We have a new area we are fundraising 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.

