

WILLIAM MACGREGOR'S NEWSLETTER

The children have had a super day today spending time with their **new teachers**. They were all so excited this morning. I hope they had a great time and are excited for September.

Staffing for September:

	Teachers	Support Staff
Ladybirds	Mrs Wilding	Mrs Conway
Year 1	Mrs Nicholson/Miss Marsh	Mrs Carrigan
Year 2	Miss Tipton	Mrs Archer
Year 3	Miss Grief	Mrs Bailey
Year 4	Mr Neiland	Mrs Price
Year 5	Miss Wadsworth	Mrs Allen
Year 6	Miss Tuton	Miss Archer

Miss Paton will continue to act as learning mentor supporting across the school. Support staff will continue to teach KS1 and EYFS reading and Mrs Archer, Mrs Carrigan and Mrs Bailey will cover staff leadership and PPA time out of class. Mrs Simpson will be leaving us to go on maternity leave in September and will return next year.

In other staff news, we are very sad to say that **Barry Pope** will be retiring at the end of next week. Barry has been working with us as a school for many years as a clinical psychotherapist. Barry has been retired now for a while but wanted to stay at WMG one day per week as he loved it so much. We have always thought that this was a really impactful way to use some of our budget and I know if you have seen Barry or worked with him at all (or your child) you will agree with this. Barry has recommended somebody who he feels would do a great job as a replacement who we are looking into at the moment. We are also going to access some local authority support too.

You will have received your child's **school report** today. I have also sent home the comment sheet in paper form for you to make a comment on if you wish and return to school by Friday.

A huge well done to our **year 6** children this week too. Note only have they been out being brave and exploring their new secondary schools on transition days but they received some great SAT results that we are really pleased with. We know they worked incredibly hard. Next week, they will be practising and rehearsing for their end of year production which we are very excited about as well as having a special end of school bowling trip on Friday. Children can wear their leavers hoodies next week with uniform.

You will have seen that I sent out an important **attendance letter** this week. This details how any unauthorised school absence will now be subject to a penalty notice. This will begin from the 19th August. Please request and complete holiday forms as normal from the school office.

Last week we were so proud of the children after lots of **school events**. The children kicked started the week with some amazing election learning. They learnt all about why we vote and why it is so important and then all took part in a whole school vote. Miss Mash provided the children with proper polling cards and each child went in separately to place their vote for a new garden design in the ballot box. On Tuesday we also held a bronze and silver children's university graduation event in the school hall. Well done to all of the children who received their bronze or silver award for their extra curricular activities in and out of school. On Wednesday, many of you were able to join us for our 'learning showcase'. The children really love this showing off their learning for the year. Well done all involved.

Next week is our **last week** in school for this academic year. I cannot believe where the time has gone. Please check the calendar dates below and Class dojo for any key events. We will have the ice cream van in school on Wednesday for a special treat too. You may have noticed a red bin next to the library steps. This is for any recycling of school uniform. Please pop any in there that you no longer need and it will be collected. We finish for summer on Friday at normal time and will return on Wednesday 4th September.

Have a lovely weekend, enjoy the football!

Mrs Jones x

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Key Dates

July:

16th: Rocksteady concert
2.15pm (parents welcome)
17th: Y6 swimming and ice
cream van for whole school
18th: Year 6 production at
QEMS 6pm
19th: Last day of term, Y6
bowling.

September:

2nd: INSET day, school
closed
3rd: INSET day, school
closed
4th: First day of the autumn
term for all children 2024

October:

25th: Last day of half term

STAR OF THE WEEK

Ladybirds – Ralph,
Hugo, Arabella,
Akshian

Year 1 – Carter H

Year 2 – Jackson

Year 3 – Jaxon,
Martynas

Year 4 – Keanan and
Gurseerat

Year 5 – Sylvia, Isabel

Year 6 – Tamzin, Holly



TT ROCKSTARS



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

Rock Hero (under 1 sec) -

Rock Legend (under 2 secs)-

Rock Star (under 3 secs)-

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 – Gurseerat (Yr4)

Silver – Iacob (LB)

Gold – Lucy, Arabella, Alannah, Emilia, Florence (LB)
Tobias (Yr4) Tobias (Yr4)

Emerald – Grace, Caleb, Carter H, Jacob, Miti (Yr1)
Isabelle (Yr4)

Ruby – Reuben, Clara, Isabella, Owen, Lili, Theo, Diana,
Ilaria, Lucas (Yr1) Luna, Evie (Yr4)



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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

You have the
best
attendance
this week!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

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

Ellison
Alisha

SCHOOL LOTTERY

Congratulations to Mr C Robotham who won £4.80 last week and has very kindly donated this back to school. Thank you!

We have raised £3004.40 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.

