

WILLIAM MACGREGOR'S NEWSLETTER

Whole school **attendance** has been much better this week and we have reached our 97% target. Thank you for ensuring children are in school everyday so they learn and experience all of the wonderful things school has to offer.

The children have begun their '**My Happy Mind**' journey this week and completed their first session on Monday morning. Mrs Nicholson has put an introduction to this on the Class Dojo so you can understand a little more about what this is.

Year 6 had a very exciting video message today from an **Olympian**. Miss Tuton spent her summer in Paris where she watched her sister-in-law Georgina Brayshaw compete in rowing. Georgina and her team were the first ever British women to win an Olympic gold in the quadruple skulls event. Year 6 had lots of questions they wanted to ask Georgina and she videoed herself answering them. We are hoping she will come into school soon to show us her gold medal and talk to the children about the difficulties she overcome to achieve.

A reminder that **school photos** are in school on Monday 30th September. These will consist of sibling and individual photos. If you would like photos with siblings that are not in school then you can come into school from 8am for these. If children have PE on this day then they can bring their trainers in their bag to change into later.

Could I ask please that if children are bringing **scooters** and bikes on to the playground because they have rode to or from school (inc. younger siblings) they they do not ride them on the playground so that no injuries occur.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Jones

STAR OF THE WEEK

Ladybirds - Rylee
Year 1 – Hunter
Year 2 – Jacob
Year 3 – Ana
Year 4 – Emmy
Year 5 – Emi
Year 6 – Chace



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

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

Kaden
Ronan
James S



SCHOOL LOTTERY

Congratulations to Ms C Wallis who won £4.80 last week and has very kindly donated this back to school. Thank you. We have raised £3068.40 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.



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Key Dates

September:

30th: Academy individual and sibling photographs

October:

3rd: Y5 to Fire station

8th: Y4 Whitemore Lakes meeting (3.10pm)

10th: Hello Yellow - world mental health day

17th: Harvest Festival (1.45pm) Ch. Only.

23rd-25th: Y4 to Whitemore Lakes

25th: Last day of term

November:

4th: All ch. back to school

7th: Parents Evening (2-7pm)

12th: Open morning for Sep 2025 intake (9.15am)

18th-22nd: Book Fair in school

21st: Open morning for Sep 2025 intake (9.15am)

27th: Whole school flu immunisation

29th: INSET day school closed

December:

10th: Y1&Y2 nativity at St. Edithas Church 6pm

13th: Ladybirds nativity at Elim Church 9am

18th: Whole school Christmas lunch

20th: Whole school carol concert (all welcome) 1.50pm

20th: Last day of term

January:

6th: INSET DAY school closed

7th: All ch. back to school

17th: Young Voices concert

February:

14th: Last day of term

24th: All ch. back to school

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)-

March:

10th-14th: Y6 in Paris

April:

8th: Parents Evening (2-7pm)

11th: Easter bonnet and egg parade/Last day of term

28th: INSET day school closed

29th-30th: Y5 to London

May:

1st: School potentially closed for polling

2nd: INSET day school closed

5th: Bank holiday school closed

12th-16th: Y6 SATS week

23rd: Last day of term

June:

2nd: All ch. back to school

9th-13th: Y1 phonic screener

25th: ATLP student awards

July:

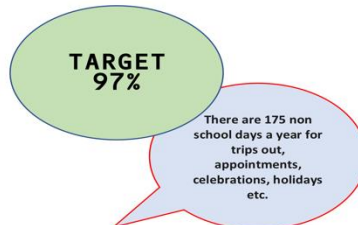
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18th: Last day of term

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ATTENDANCE

Whole School: 97.3%
 Ladybirds: 99%
 Year 1: 94%
 Year 2: 97.5%
 Year 3: 100%
 Year 4: 98.2%
 Year 5: 93.7%
 Year 6: 99%



If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 years</u>
1 day per week	40 Days	8 weeks	Over <u>2.5 years</u>
2 days per week	80 Days	16 weeks per year	Over <u>5 years</u>
3 days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly <u>8 years</u>

WE DO NOT AUTHORISE HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

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

Y3 have the best attendance this week!