



William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 17th September 2021



News...

Thank you for adjusting to the **new school start and end times** so smoothly this week – we do feel these times of the day are much smoother now and parents can leave the school grounds and surrounding areas more swiftly.

However, with us all arriving and leaving at the same time, it has put a **strain on parking**. I did receive an email last week from an upset resident on Basin Lane. Following this email, you may have seen me monitoring the parking, particularly at the top of Basin Lane near the flats. I did need to remind parents who were parked on the single yellow line that this is a no waiting zone at times of the day when school starts and finishes. Another resident came to talk to me on Basin Lane to say her driveway is very often blocked and she cannot get off her drive to take her children to school. One parent's response was 'where else do I park?' – I understand that parking is extremely difficult in the close proximity of school, so I suggest parking in the streets a little further away and walking. Even better, making your whole journey on foot. The police have also said that they will be making regular checks on parking. Thank you for your consideration to local residents and our children's safety when parking your car.

Children can resume bringing sweets into school for their class if it is their birthday ☐.

Many of the children are now catching **colds and have sore throats and headaches**. If your child does have these symptoms, please take them for a **PCR test** to rule out COVID. Once the negative result is back and they feel well enough, please send them into school.

Ladybirds – Zac

Year 1 – Evalyn

Year 2 – Lily

Year 3 – George

Year 4 – Holly

Year 5 – Milo

Year 6 – Phoebe C

PE Star of the Week

Ronnie – Y5

Birthday celebrations!

Isabelle (Yr2)

Tommy (Yr4)

Joel (LB)

Mason (LB)

Phoebe C (Yr6)

Jack (Yr4)

Millie (Yr5)

Brandon (Yr6)

Alfie M (Yr4)

Well done to our new school councillors who have been elected over the last 10 days. They will join me each week to discuss school issues and have a positive impact on school life. I am looking forward to our first meeting next week.

Year 1 – Katherine and Martynas

Year 2 – Lily and Charlie

Year 3 – James and Ella

Year 4 – Tamzin and Kai-Hei.

Year 5 – Mollie and Henry

Year 6 - Phoebe and Tyler



**Last week's
MacGregor Mile
Winners were Year 3
Having run 74 miles!**



Spelling Shed

Leaderboard this week:

Year 5

Year 2

Year 3

Year 1

Year 4

Year 6

Top Spellers:

☐ - Emi - Y2

☐ - Aida O - Y5

☐ - Rosie H - Y5



☐ Every week, there will be a battle in each class. Boys VS. Girls. ☐
Good luck! ☐☐

This week's most valuable players:

Year 2: Luna & Emi ☐

Year 3: Gracie-Mae & Brody ☐

Year 4: Kai-Hei & Amelia ☐

Year 5: Alexia & Milo ☐

Year 6: Harvey ☐

Maths Shed

Leaderboard this week:

Year 6

Year 5

Year 2

Year 4

Year 3

Year 1



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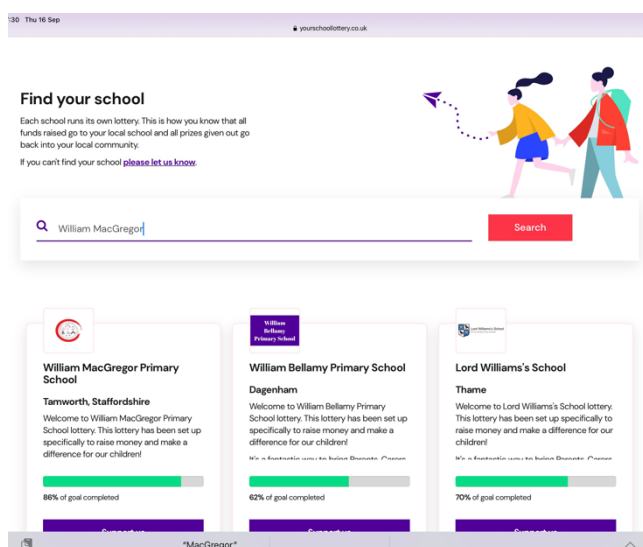
Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Miss C Duffen who won £12.30 last week. Mrs Duffen has kindly donated her winnings back to the school

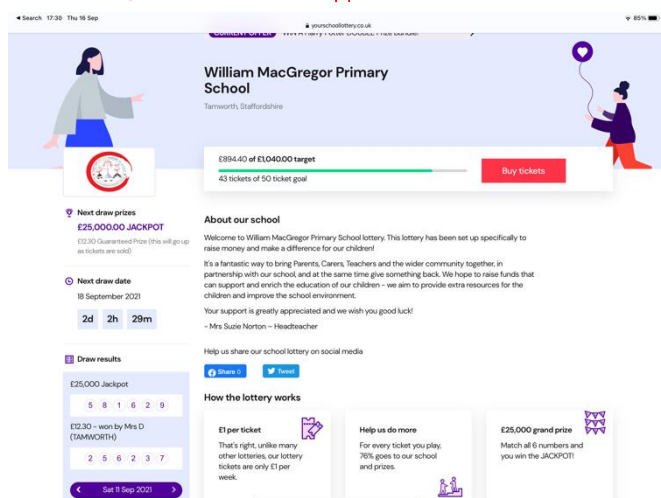
We have raised £1,430.40 so far.

We have a new area we are fund raising for now and this is the area to the side of the trim trail. We would like to put artificial grass here and develop a calm area where the children can relax.

Want to join our school lottery and help us raise much needed Funds? Here's how....



Go to www.schoollottery.co.uk and type in William MacGregor. Click on 'Support us'



click on 'buy tickets' and then register.

THANK YOU ☐☐



We have registered with Morrisons as part of this new initiative. From this week, if you have a My Morrisons account card then you can swipe it at the till and collect Grow Tokens for our school where we can then go on to claim some garden equipment for our school.

School events

Reminder that our school website has all events taking place in school.

www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk

September

21st Meet the Teacher meeting for Ladybirds parents in school 5.30pm

October

12th Harvest festival at St.George's church. This is for the children only.

21st end of autumn 1

22nd staff training day

25th-29th half term week

November

1st start of autumn 2

December

9th Yr1 and Yr2 nativity at St.Editha's church. 6pm

10th Ladybirds nativity at Elim Church 9am

13th Christmas craft morning 8.45-10.15am (one parent/relative per child)

14th Parent consultation meetings 2-7pm

15th Christmas lunch

17th Whole school carol service at St.Editha's 2pm

End of autumn 2

January

4th staff training day

5th start of spring 1



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Assembly Topic next week



Picture News

at Home

20th September 2021

What's going on this week?



Following the trail of devastation left by Hurricane Ida across parts of North America, US President Biden declared that 'historic investment' is needed to deal with the impact of climate crisis. He has blamed climate change for what's happened and believes the country needs to be better prepared for extreme weather. Hurricane Ida tore across more than 1,500 miles of the USA and was one of the most well-forecast storms in recent memory, causing catastrophic flooding and destroying buildings in its wake.

Things to talk about at home...

- 🌱 How do you think the people affected by Hurricane Ida may be feeling?
- 🌱 When you go through difficult times, are you able to think of the positives?
- 🌱 Do you think more money should be provided to help tackle climate change?

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