



William MacGregor Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Week ending 24th September 2021

News...

As expected, many children have coughs and colds at the moment. Obviously a cough is a COVID symptom and a PCR test should be arranged to rule out COVID. If your child is absent from school, please call the office before 9am, do not message myself or your child's class teacher on DoJo. As soon as you call the office you will hear my voice giving you 2 options; option 1 is to report an absence. You can leave a message on this option. You can call the office and leave a message at anytime. You do not need to wait for the office to be open. Thank you for using this system for informing us of your child's absence.

On Monday I attended training on how to safeguard our children from extremist threat and behaviour. It is vital that we are vigilant and if we hear or see any extreme behaviour that causes concern please refer to Staffordshire's Act Early website for advice.

actearly.uk. I know as a community, we do all we can to safeguard our children and I am very grateful for our commitment to our children's well-being. If you ever have any concerns about the safety or well-being of a child, you must call First Response on 0800 131 3126 or refer to their website <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Care-for-children-and-families/Childprotection/First-Response.aspx>

A letter has been uploaded on MCAS for parents whose children receive free school meals. This is not the same as universal free school meals which applies to all children in Ladybirds, Year 1 and Year 2. Please read this letter and contact the office if your child is interested in learning to play a musical instrument.



Ladybirds – Joel

Year 1 – Kathryn

Year 2 – Lewis

Year 3 – Chloe

Year 4 – Lily

Year 5 – Joseph

Year 6 – Ellie-May

PE Stars of the Week

Zack (y3) & Eliah (y2)

Birthday celebrations!

Isla D

Eliah

School Sports Council

Well done to our Sports Councillors who have been elected this week. They will join Mr Massam each week to discuss sport within the school. Mr Massam is looking forward to their first meeting next week.

Year 4 – Eduard, Lily, Amelia & Theo

Year 5 – Stuie, Chloe, Milo & Eliza

Year 6 – Szeki, Ellie-May, Alastair, Louie & Harvey

**Last week's MacGregor
Mile Winners were
Year 1
Having run 78 miles!**



Spelling Shed

Leaderboard this week:

Year 5

Year 4

Year 3

Year 2

Year 6

Year 1

Top Spellers:

□ - Alexia F - Y5

□ - Aida O - Y5

□ - Brody H - Y3



□ 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 & Brody □

Year 4: Kai-Hei & Victoria □

Year 5: Alexia & Jude □

Year 6: Harvey & Phoebe C □

Maths Shed

Leaderboard this week:

Year 2

Year 6

Year 5

Year 4

Year 3

Year 1

Top Mathstronauts:

□ - Emi - Y2

□ - Andrei O - Y6

□ - Charlotte H - Y4



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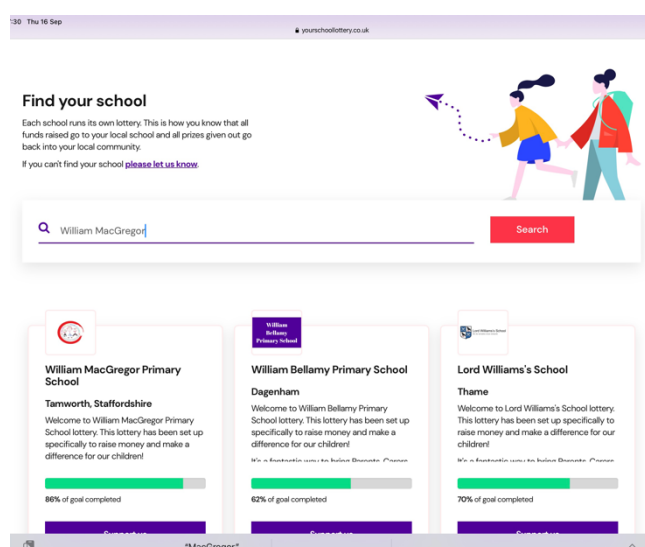
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Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

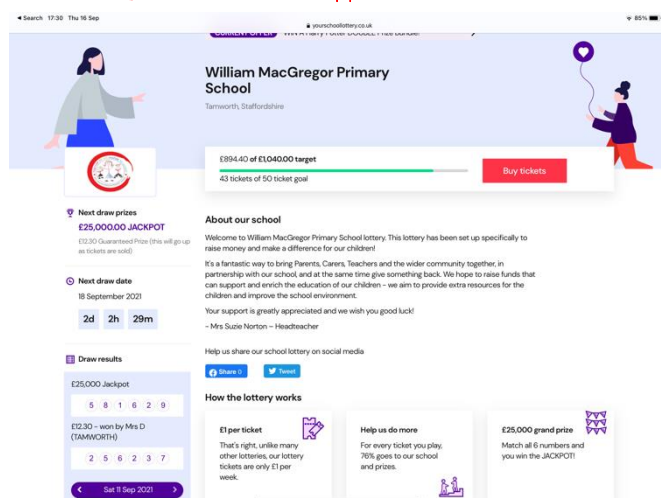
Congratulations to Louise Tas who won £12.60 last week. Louise has kindly donated her winnings back to the school. We have raised £1447.20 so far.

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 ☐☐



In a few weeks, the children will be going to St. George's Church for our annual Harvest Festival. Children will give thanks for the food they receive and the people that allow us to have such food. This Harvest, we will continue to support the local food bank. In the last year, Tamworth Food Bank has never been so busy and this Harvest we are asking for donations to support the local organisation which has helped so many.

The Food bank are grateful for all donations but they must be non-perishable items like tins and packets that are in date. Please start to send these in with the children from next week if you can spare any items.

Many thanks.



School events

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

www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk

October

4th School Photos

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

27th September 2021

What's going on this week?



It is estimated that people in Britain are sending over 1.6 billion non-biodegradable face masks to landfill every single month, according to research conducted by shopping comparison site, finder.com. To reduce this, a new scheme has been introduced in Brighton and Hove to recycle face masks and other personal protective equipment (PPE). Special bins have been installed to reduce the amount of PPE litter, which is used to make more bins and other plastic items.

Things to talk about at home...

- 🧐 Which face masks have you seen people using?
- 🧐 Would you know where to recycle disposable face masks? Is there anywhere in your local area?
- 🧐 Overall, do you think cloth masks or disposable (if recycled) masks are better to use?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...



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