



# William MacGregor Primary Newsletter

Week ending 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## News...

We have started our final half term of the academic year and I must admit, we will be thankful to see the back of this academic year with regards to Covid and so much disruption for the children to cope with.

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful week off which was made so much better with the amazing sunshine. This lifts everyone's spirits ☐

The sunshine is wonderful, but we need to be safe whilst out in the sun. The children have been reminded this week on how to **keep safe when out in the sun**. Please can you ensure that your child has had sunscreen applied before they come to school and has a sun hat.

Our film night was a huge success with the children enjoying some welcome downtime together whilst snacking on treats. A further success of the event was the amazing amount of money raised - £625! With this event and our 'Break the Rules' day, we have raised just under £1,000. This is incredible. Thank you so much for your support with these events.

Again, I have received complaints made by parents about adults **not wearing masks** when they are dropping off or collecting from school. I know when parents enter the playground or car parks they do wear masks, but please can I ask that you wear them whilst waiting on the pavement outside the school. This is at all 3 entrances. This is to keep all parents safe.

**My Child at School** is a new system we are introducing for parents to increase the level of communication we have with you. This system will allow you to have access to your child's attendance, school reports and assessments. It will also allow you to complete your personal details and permissions online. Information on how to access this was sent home yesterday. Any questions, please contact the school office.



**Congratulations to all badge winners this week.**

**Emerald** – Lily (Y1), & Jack (Y3)

**Ruby** – Evie, Ollie & Sophie (Y1), Olivia, Toby, Ella & Leart (Y2) & Ella & Charlotte (Y3)

**Last week's  
MacGregor  
Mile Winners  
were  
Ladybirds**

## Star of the Week

Ladybirds – Zachary  
& Ellison

Year 1 – Darcy

Year 2 – Eva

Year 3 – Alfie M

Year 4 – Jude

Year 5 – Liam

Year 6 – Rex

**PE Star of Week:**

Jenson in Yr 6

## Birthday celebrations!

Freddie B



## Spelling Shed

**Leaderboard this week:**

Year 6  
Year 3  
Year 5  
Year 4  
Year 1  
Year 2

**Top Spellers:**

- ☐ – Hei-Kai Y – Y3
- ☐ – Szeki Y – Y5
- ☐ – Jack S – Y2



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

**This week's most valuable players:**

Year 2: James & Sarah ☐  
Year 3: Tamzin & Kai-Hei ☐  
Year 4: Jude & Alexia ☐  
Year 5: Andrei ☐  
Year 6: Damians & Penny ☐

## Maths Shed

**Leaderboard this week:**

Year 5  
Year 4  
Year 3  
Year 1  
Year 2  
Year 6

**Top Mathstronauts:**

- ☐ – Szeki Y – Y5
- ☐ – Aida O – Y4
- ☐ – Andrei O – Y5



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### Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Mrs K Hadley who won £14.40 last week.

We have raised £1174.40 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.



Our school needs you! Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Just enter the competition online, it only takes a minute:

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

### School events

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

[www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk)

### June

15<sup>th</sup> – stay ‘n’ play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

16<sup>th</sup> – stay ‘n’ play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

22<sup>nd</sup> – bikeability for Yr5 in school and Yr4 after school (parents have signed up for this)

23<sup>rd</sup> – bikeability for Yr5 in school (parents have signed up for this)

### July

5<sup>th</sup> – school closed for staff training day

6<sup>th</sup> – stay ‘n’ play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

7<sup>th</sup> – stay ‘n’ play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

14<sup>th</sup> – school reports go out

15<sup>th</sup> – school discos after school outside (if restrictions are lifted)

15<sup>th</sup> – draft plans for Yr6 leaver celebrations after school disco (parents keep this date free if possible – more details to come)

20<sup>th</sup> – last day of term



## Child Death Prevention Newsletter



This newsletter is designed to raise awareness of the work of the Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) and to bring news on our ongoing campaigns

# Button Batteries Be aware!

Button batteries power everyday objects like car key fobs, remotes and children's toys. But did you know that if they are swallowed they can badly injure, or even kill a child?

Batteries react with saliva and if a child swallows a button battery it can burn holes and cause internal bleeding, or even death.

**Tragically, a young child in Staffordshire has recently died from ingesting a button battery.**



## How to keep children safe

- Store spare batteries securely, out of reach
- Know which toys /gadgets use button batteries, check your home
- Get rid of 'dead' button batteries immediately – they still have enough power to harm children
- Teach older children the dangers – why they shouldn't play with them or give them to younger children
- Place strong tape over the battery compartment on remote controls

## Be aware!

Symptoms may not be obvious.

Your child might be coughing, gagging or drooling, or pointing to their throat or tummy. Unclear or fluctuating symptoms mean it's important to be vigilant. Trust your instincts and act fast even if there are no symptoms.

**If you think your child has swallowed a battery, take them straight to the nearest A&E department or call 999 for an ambulance**

For further information visit:  
<https://www.capt.org.uk/button-battery-safety>

Or <https://www.rospa.com/home-safety/advice/product/button-batteries>