



William MacGregor Primary Newsletter

Week ending 18th June 2021

News...

It was wonderful to welcome our **new Ladybirds** for September 2021 into school this week for their first visit to our school. We were so impressed with how brave they were and excited to find out about their new school.

On the 1st July the children will spend time with their new class teacher for next year. We are just relieved that we can plan time for the children and teacher to spend time together this year. The children will stay in their own classroom and the new teacher will come to them.

Next week some of the **Year 6** children take the first step on their journey to high school by spending a few days at their high school taking part in **transition** activities. I am sure they will make many new friends on these days and return to school very excited about their time after William MacGregor.

Unfortunately, **school discos** planned for the 15th July will have to be **cancelled** due to restrictions not being lifted. 😞

It is very sad that we have had to make the decision to close our before and after school provision (Dragonflies) from September. We have had parents contact us asking for help with finding a child minder. If you know of any local child minders with places available for September, please can you ask them to contact us so we can pass their details on?

Scholastic Book Club – this half term we are running a Book Club instead of our usual Book Fair. Please visit <http://scholastic.co.uk/william-macgregor/digital-book-club> to browse purchase books. Books will be delivered to school. Last day for orders is 1st July. The link is in the Class Dojo Reading Corner.

Please log on and register to **My Child at School (MCAS)** if you have not done so already. The information came home with the children last week.

Star of the Week

Ladybirds – Lucas & Ted W

Year 1 – Luna

Year 2 – Max

Year 3 – Isla

Year 4 – Joseph

Year 5 – Ethan

Year 6 – James

Kennedy

PE Star of Week:

Ladybirds for all children putting 100% into their lesson this week!



Congratulations to all badge winners this week.

Emerald – Summer-Mai (LB), Toby & Darcy (Y1), Layton & Maya (Y2), Kaycee & Ted (Y3), Ellie-Mae (Y4), Rhyanna & Pheobe – Mai(Y5)

Ruby – Joshua, Eliza, Dixie, Willow & Evelyn-Rose (LB), Charlie (Y1), Chace (Y2), Orson, Alfie D, Alisha, Isla, Alfie M & Tamzin (Y3), Bradley & Miley (Y5)

Last week's MacGregor Mile Winners were Ladybirds

Birthday celebrations!

Nedi Kayla
Damians Stuie



Spelling Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Spellers:

🏆 – Hei-Kai Y – Y3
🏆 – Szeki Y – Y5
🏆 – Charlotte 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: Brody & Isabella 🏆
Year 3: Victoria & Hei-Kai 🏆
Year 4: Alexia & Jude 🏆
Year 5: Szeki and Harvey 🏆
Year 6: Damians & Eliza 🏆

Maths Shed

Leaderboard this week:

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

Top Mathstronauts:

🏆 – Harlee J – Y6
🏆 – Veronika C – Y6
🏆 – Szeki Y – Y5



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Fundraising – School lottery fortnightly update

Congratulations to Miss H Lewis who won £14.10 last week. Miss Lewis has kindly donated her winnings back to the school.

We have raised £1193.20 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.



Every Child Deserves a Good Book

Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go to

<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/William-MacGregor/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online.

For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards.

School events

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

www.williammacgregor.staffs.sch.uk

June

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

23rd - bikeability for Yr5 in school (parents have signed up for this)

July

5th – school closed for staff training day

6th – stay 'n' play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

7th - stay 'n' play for new Ladybirds starting September 2021

14th – school reports go out

15th – draft plans for Yr6 leaver celebrations (parents keep this date free if possible – more details to come)

20th – 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.rosipa.com/home-safety/advice/product/button-batteries>