

William Penn Newsletter 3rd November 2023

Welcome back and open afternoon

Thank you for sending your children in looking so smart and ready to learn this half term. As a whole school, we have been focusing on improving our presentation in our school work. Children have been really taking their time to produce high quality responses they are proud of. We will be inviting parents in to share their child's learning on **Wednesday 22nd November from 2pm.**

Children in Need

School Council: On Friday 17th November, William Penn School are planning to celebrate Pudsey day once again. School Council have chosen to celebrate it by hosting a talent show. The theme this year is 'SPOTacular'. We would like everyone to wear something spotty (as much or as little as you want) and in return to give a donation on the day for Children in Need.



A talent show will take place in the afternoon on Friday 17th November. If you

wish to take part, your performance must be no longer than 2 minutes. Please let your class teacher know if you are willing to participate by Wednesday 15th November and bring a donation of 50p per entry. We are looking forward to a 'SPOTacular' day! Remember to bring in a donation as all the money will go to the charity.



NSPCC visit to school:

Violet, Year 5, writes:

On 17th October, JBB and Year 2 were visited by the NSPCC, a society to help children speak out and stay safe. The NSPCC workers discussed how children have the right to stay safe, that abuse is never okay and that it is never a child's fault. Buddy, their mascot is a large green speech bubble with a thumbs up. He represents the fact that all children have a right to speak out. They were very good at explaining things and the children learnt the Childline number 0800 1111.

Tea towel and Christmas Cards

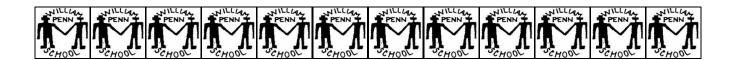
This evening your child will have brought home the proof for their Christmas cards. Please take the time to fill in the reverse of the sheet clearly and accurately. The Christmas card designs must be returned to school by **Wednesday 8th November**. The original date was Friday the 10th of November but, we have been offered an earlier printing slot. Unfortunately, any designs not handed in to school by **Wednesday 8th November** will not be able to be sent to the printers. The printing company will then contact you directly to give you access to the online ordering system. This is a fantastic fundraising opportunity for the school so we really appreciate your support.





I would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to come and help the children make their amazing looking cards. We loved having you in school and the children certainly enjoyed working with you all!

Your children have also drawn a picture of themselves this week. This picture will be included in our very own William Penn tea towel. There will be three colour choices available and they will be ready to order in time for Christmas. If you have any questions regarding Christmas cards or tea towels then please get in touch.





Upcoming Christmas Carol Service at Christ Hospital

The children have already begun practicing for this magical musical extravaganza. Be sure to keep Wednesday 13th December, 6pm free. This is an event for family and friends.

Chartwell's Christmas Lunch

Remember to place your order by Thursday 30th November.

Safeguarding/Health and Safety/Wellbeing Update:

Please remember to send your child in wearing named clothes. This should include coats, gloves, hats and scarves as well as jumpers. If your child is sent home in school clothes, as they have needed to be changed during the day, please wash these and return them.



	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden Child	Poppy For being very helpful with her friends, particularly with helping them to blend the sounds we are learning this week.	Max For his outstanding attitude towards all his learning this week. He is always so positive and brings such a smiley personality to Fox class. Thank you Max!	Betsy-May For her focus and determination to succeed in all her learning this week. She has shown a growth mindset in maths, using the column method to add and subtract. Well done Betsy-May!	Betsy For always being kind and considerate to her friends. She has supported her friends really well in Maths this week too. Well done Betsy!	Jenson For having a great growth mindset to power through his writing assessment this week. He showed a mature attitude towards up-levelling his work also! Well done Jenson!	George For being an excellent role model to his peers. He always tries his best in class and never gives up! Well done George.	Flo For always having a go! Her resilience and determination is exemplary. Even when she finds things tough, she carries on with a smile on her face. Well done Flo.
Star Writer	Francesca For having such a good attitude towards her phonics this week and showing great progress in her letter formation. Such a great attitude to have, well done Francesca!	Fraser For his well-presented and well-thought about writing assessment this week. He managed to include many interesting verbs. Well done Fraser.	Elana For really her taking time to ensure her presentation is as neat as possible. She takes such care and effort to follow the presentation policy. Keep it up Elana!	Theo For planning and writing about his cat during his writing assessment this week. He worked really hard and focused throughout. Well done Theo!	Ollie J For brilliant writing in role using a range of punctuation and paragraphs. Excellent writing Ollie!	Sophie For her fantastic rhythmic poem about WW1 using a repeated phrase and onomatopoeia. Great effort Sophie, well done.	Rufus, Connor, Owen and Alfie For their excellent song based on our class book. A great example of creativity and independent learning. Well done boys.

Friday Golden Assembly Awards 19.10.23

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden	Archer For really trying his best in his learning this week and having such a 'can do' attitude with a big smile on his face. Great work Archer!	Sonny For really thinking about his presentation this work, particularly during spelling practice in the mornings. He is thinking about the size and formation of the letters. Keep it up Sonny!	Maxwell For always being so willing to assist everyone in the class community. He is a reliable member of the class and is a leading example with his attitude towards learning. Well done Maxwell.	Layla S For being a fantastic role model to the rest of Fry class. Her behaviour is always exemplary, her presentation is always amazing and her attitude towards learning is fantastic. Well done Layla!	Zack For showing a mature attitude towards his learning this week. He has produced some well-thought out work, presented it well and been ready to contribute his ideas in lessons. Well done Zack!	Oliver For having a great first half term in JBB and settling in well to William Penn. Well done for always trying your best, Oliver!	Emerson For having a positive attitude towards all of his learning. He has really concentrated on the presentation of his work this week. Well done Emerson!
Star Writer	Oliver For retelling a very in- depth story with a keen attitude to keep reading and imagining what might happen later in the story. Well done Oliver!	Jessica For being so eager to learn her part in the poem 'Spaghetti, Spaghetti' this week. She has practiced incredibly hard and now knows all her words off by heart. Well done Jessical	Arthur For really thinking about his expression when reading his section of our focus poem this week. He ensures the listener is engaged by changing his tone. Fantastic work Arthur!	James For always showing the rest of the class how reading can be so enjoyable. It is great to see him exploring new books and genres. Well done James!	Indie For continuing to want to read. She has taken responsibility for her own reading since we have returned. It is great to see her renewed love of books! Well done Indie!	Clayne For always working so hard in every subject. Well done for your determination and resilience Clayne!	Reggie For committing to The Weald Book Awards and persisting with the reading of the first book. Well done Reggie.

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Pupil Achievements Outside of School

If you have any pupil achievements that you would like mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail office@williampenn.co.uk.

