

William Penn Newsletter – 28th March 2024

Easter Events

A huge thank you to the PTA for organising and running all the Easter activities today. Lots of time and effort went into this and it really is appreciated. It is such a highlight for the children. Photos will go out on Google classroom at the end of the day, so you can all enjoy the creativity that has gone into this year's Easter Bonnets. We all wish you all a restful Easter break and look forward to welcoming the children back on

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Key Stage One visit to Drusillas

Last Wednesday, Fox and Cadbury Class visited Drusillas Park as part of their topic. They had a magnificent time looking at all the animals, riding on a train and even getting lost in a maze! They saw lots of fascinating creatures, including armadillos, capybaras and penguins (of course!) Jackson said, "My favourite part of the day was watching the penguins being fed. The fish were really stinky, I'm



glad I'm not a penguin!" Lola-Rose added, "I loved riding on the train because I liked spotting all the animals again on our way round the track!"

Thank you to all the parent helpers who accompanied our trip, and we hope you had a wonderful day.







Water Aid Workshops



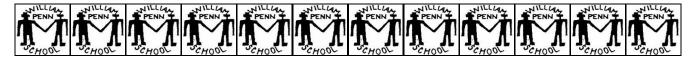
To celebrate World Water Day 2024 a volunteer from Water Aid came in to talk to Key Stage 2 about the importance of water. This supported the children's learning about their rights as we continue our journey to become a Rights Respecting School. Children discussed how often and easily

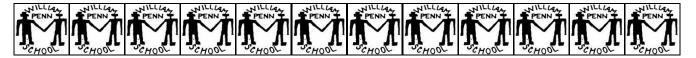


available water is in this country and compared it to countries who are not as fortunate as we are. The workshop discussed that children in some countries have to walk for hours to find clean water, whilst missing other rights such as schooling. Our children made posters to think of ways we can reduce or save water so please do talk to them about their brilliant ideas!

These activities link to Articles 24 and 27 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Article 24: Every child has the right to the best possible health.

Article 27: Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical and social needs and support their development.





Football Tournament

On Wednesday 20th March, we joined the Weald to compete against 6 other schools in a 7-a-side football tournament. We lost our first 2 matches but that didn't stop us. Michael was in goal and he made some fantastic saves. Alfie scored from a cross and Emerson from a corner. Sophie and Oscar did some excellent passing down the line. Kumudh and Oliver did a sterling job at the heart of defence, and Andrew ran the midfield expertly. We finished in 3rd place, which out of 7 much larger schools, was amazing! We celebrated by collecting Bronze Medals.



Fry's Roman Feast

Layla B and Layla S write: On Friday 22nd March, Fry class took part in a Roman Feast. In our DT lessons, we planned

Roman Recipes ready for the big day. These included honey cakes, Roman bread, Roman salad and a type of Roman burger. After lunch we were allowed to dress up like a Roman. I really enjoyed dressing up and acting like a Roman! We shared our feast with our parents and enjoyed playing a Roman game called Nine Men Morris. This was the best bit of the day – getting to enjoy our feast with our friends and family!





Health and Safety

Polite reminder that parents are not to use private entrances for turning around when dropping off children. This includes Wisteria Place, which is a private entrance and not a public road. Despite signs being placed at the entrance, many vehicles are using it to turn around each day. Please refrain from driving on private property. Thank you for your support.

Parent Surveys

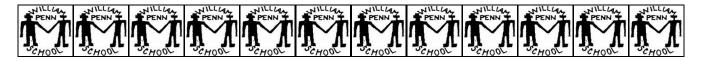
Thank you to the majority of the parent body for completing these surveys. Your views are really important to us. For anyone who has not, please can you find the time over Easter to fill these in. You will need to log onto your child's Google Classroom to find the form called Parents' Survey 2023 - 2024. Alternatively follow this link: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfLW-YMaQfX_0G03a0WPQUROkKrLysqMJ3LOdRmanp6y-SM1Q/viewform?usp=sf_link</u>

PE Days and Kits

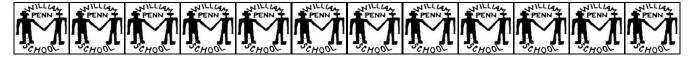
The PE days will change next term. Key Stage 1 will have PE on Tuesday and Thursday. Key Stage 2 will have PE on Monday and Friday. Please send your child in with their PE kit on these days. This consists of a red T-shirt and black or white shorts for the summer term. If weather is cold, they can wear black or grey tracksuit bottoms. Follow the link to find out more information regarding uniform http://www.williampenn.co.uk/web/uniform

One space available for beginner flute lessons

I am pleased to inform you there is one space available for a paired beginner flute lesson starting after half term. This is suitable for a pupil in Year 3 or older. Lessons cost £9.10 per lesson with instrument hire available for £33 per term. A bursary is available to cover 100% or 50% of the cost in some circumstances. For further information on lessons and







bursaries, and to apply visit <u>https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/make-music/music-lessons/</u>. The place will be offered on a first apply, first served basis. If you have any questions, please contact me via the email below.

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Terracycle Recycling at William Penn Primary School

Thank you for your amazing efforts in helping us to collect recycling at the school. Please do continue to bring in the following items as these are still on triple points from Terracycle until 5th April.

• SNACK WRAPPERS - Sweet biscuit wrappers, cake wrappers, including the cellophane. Savoury biscuit wrappers such as cracker wrappers (not the cardboard, just the plastic wrapping).

PRINGLE TUBES – pringle tubes (no other make). Without the lids.

• DENTAL ITEMS – electric toothbrush head – change those toothbrush heads and help the school! Manual toothbrushes, flossing sticks, electric flosser nozzles, dental floss containers.

Also remember we can recycle the following items at school too:

- PENS and TIP-EX this includes pens, highlighters, felt tips, markers, mechanical pencils, tip-ex mice, tip-ex fluid (and other brands), fountain pens and ink cartridges (NO glue sticks, rubbers, rulers, pencils or sharp objects such as scissors)
- PLASTIC FOOD STORAGE CONTAINERS and DRINKS BOTTLES all brands of plastic food storage containers and lids such as Sistema, all brands of reusable plastic water bottles and caps. Please do bring in any of those sandwich containers or water bottles that have gone past their best, or maybe cracked and broken!

Thank you from the PTA

Amazing attendance

Congratulations to Year 2 for coming in at 95.12% attendance this term. In second place was Year 5 with 94.52%, closely followed by Year 3 with 93.4%. It's been a tough term that started with lots of winter bugs. Well done to the children who managed 100% attendance. They have been awarded a golden certificate. Look out for it in their bookbags.

King of the Dojos

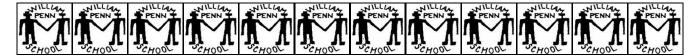
Congratulations to Zachary M-H for receiving the most dojos this term. He is such a role model in class. Always listening and ready to learn, he embodies our Quaker values, being polite to all adults and pupils alike. Zachary is an incredibly hardworking child who has a great growth mindset. He is always ready to take on a new challenges with determination. He is a real asset to Fox Class.

Pupil Achievements Outside of School

Well done to Glen who has successfully passed his 9th Kup Taekwondo grading. Excellent effort!

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







Friday Golden Assembly Awards 22.3.24

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden Child	Poppy For always being one hundred percent on task. You really try your best with your learning and produce such great work because of it. Amazing attitude Poppy!	Jackson For being so mature and grown up on our trip this week. You were so enthralled seeing all the animals and enjoyed recounting the whole day when we got back. Well done Jackson!	Betsy-May For your wonderful attitude towards all learning. You took such a keen interest on our trip this week and have detailed every single second in your superb recount! Well done Betsy-May!	Fabien For a more focused attitude towards your learning this week. You have been inspired to write and have had a great mind-set during our maths lessons. Well done Fabo!	Jenson For always showing such dedication to your learning. You contribute in all lessons, you always have fantastic ideas and you work really hard in lessons. Amazing attitude, well done Jenson!	Kumudh For working hard on your Just So story over the past few weeks. You were so committed to completing your book that you worked on it at home independently. A fantastic attitude, well done Kumudh!	Sam For working so hard recently, you have written an excellent book based on the Just So stories and have focused brilliantly during the assessments this week. Well done Sam!
Presentation Star	Henry This week we have been learning about habitats. You have written beautiful sentences about where animals live. Well done Henry!	Grace Your effort with your handwriting was fantastic this week. Your consistency to make sure your work was the neatest it could be was a delight to watch. Keep it up Grace!	Elana Your ambition and desire to succeed in English this week has been outstanding. You have taken an immense amount of effort and time in your work and should feel incredibly proud of yourself. Well done Elana!	Betsy For being more conscious of your presentation this week. You are trying to keep your work neat and tidy and redoing work if it is not up to your standard. Well done Betsy. Great attitude!	William For beautifully presented work in all subjects. Your handwriting is neat, you underline all your headings and date with a ruler. You make your work inviting to the reader. Well done William! An absolute presentation role- model!	Rory You have made a great effort to improve your handwriting and presentation. Your maths book is also set out beautifully and clearly. Fantastic job, well done Rory!	Mikey For your lovely book based on the Just So stories. You have worked hard to present your work neatly, thinking about the layout of your text and the background for your pages. Well done Mikey!

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Golden Dojo Winners	Evie For having such a fantastic term. You have been such a delight and a pleasure to have in Cadbury all term. Well done Evie!	Fraser For always going above and beyond in every single lesson. You are always focused and determined to accomplish each piece of work to the best of your ability. You should feel very proud of yourself and all your efforts this term. Well done Fraser.	Violet For always being so kind and thoughtful to your friends in Fox class. You like to encourage them to succeed and enjoy working alongside others, especially during maths. Well done Violet.	Layla S Well done for fabulous work in all subjects this week. You are always ready to learn and your behaviour is always exemplary.	Bethany For always following our Golden rules. Bethany sets the example for others in her class and is a great role model for younger friends at William Penn.	Andrew For being the top Dojo earner this term. You are an excellent mathematician and it is fantastic to see you challenging yourself and being an independent learner during lessons. Well done Andrew.	Rufus The top Dojo earner for the second term in a row! You always follow the rules and give 100% effort in every lesson. You have a fantastic attitude and are a role model in JBB. Well done Rufus!
Presentation Star	Kingsley For writing beautiful sentences to describe our Gruffalo food tasting. You wrote that the Gruffalo crumble was sweet, because you had it with custard and also that the Owl ice cream was cold and the cone was crunchy. All of this was sounded out all by yourself. Well done Kingsley!	Max Your handwriting and presentation is exemplary in every single lesson. Your ambition and drive to succeed in everything you put your mind to is nothing short of outstanding. You are a shining star Max, and an absolute delight to teach. Thank you for being you!	Jimmy For really taking such pride in your presentation this week. Your passion for handwriting has led you to take time and effort in English to make sure you have included all of your thoughts and ideas. Keep it up Jimmy!	James Mrs Peters was super impressed with your retrieval skills in English this week. You were able to retrieve key parts from our core book and write confidently when explaining key parts making sure your work was beautifully presented.	Jac For beautiful presentation skills in his RE book when writing about Holy Week. Jac ensures that all his work looks the same no matter what subject/book he is writing in. You are starting to join and always take so much pride in your work – well done.	Violet For your continued presentation improvements. It is lovely to see you taking pride in your work and committing to taking your time to produce the best work that you can. Well done Violet!	Alfie Your presentation has really improved over the term. You are thinking about your handwriting, how you set out your work and how to present it clearly in all areas of the curriculum. Well done Alfie.

