

## William Penn Newsletter May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023

### May Day 2023

This coming Friday we will be holding our May Day celebration on the school field at 1.30pm. We will be opening the school gates at 1.20pm. Please bring a blanket or chair and make your way through the double gates and behind Fry and JBB classes, to access the school field. In the interests of security, please do not enter the school building without permission. Thank you.

### Sweets and Birthdays

During COVID times, children were unable to give out sweets on their birthdays. Following COVID, the decision was taken **not** to reintroduce this practice. Whilst birthdays are indeed celebrated by many, some parents have stated that they prefer children not to be given sweets to take home. This is because some children have allergies and other parents prefer to manage the intake of sugar closely. **We would respectfully ask that if sweets are to be distributed, this does not take place in school.** Thank you for your understanding.



### INSET 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Please be reminded that Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June is an INSET day and the school will be closed to pupils.

### School Reading Scheme Books – Collins Big Cat

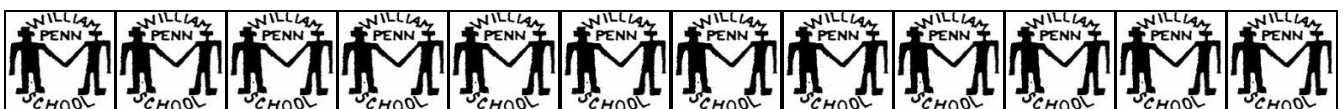
We are currently looking into our reading scheme books. The shelves are rapidly depleting. Please may we ask you all to have a look for any school books at home. Many books may be hiding under beds or in bookshelves. We would appreciate it if you could have a look over half term and return any found before we order more. Thank you.

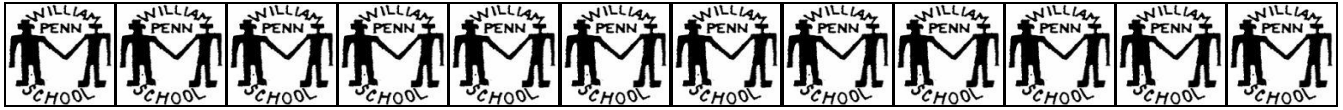
### Year 3 & 4 'Road to Eastbourne' Tennis Festival

A small group of children in Fry class recently visited The Weald School to take part in a 'Road to Eastbourne' tennis festival.

The event included lots of tennis related skills and games to warm up before a couple of matches later on. These activities included balancing tennis balls on rackets, serving to an opponent, and practising backhand strokes.

Later in the afternoon, the children were drawn to play against a team from Wisborough Green School. The match was superbly entertaining, with such good tennis being played by all. The boys pairing of Jac and Jeremy really complimented each other's game by working as well as a team. The girls pairing of Bethany and Jaya showed such enthusiasm and willing to try their absolute hardest.





Out of the 10 schools represented there, William Penn managed to finish in second place! The team were incredibly proud of their achievements, and they represented the school to the highest standard. Well played team!

### **Curriculum Documents for this Term on School Website Reminder**

The week by week overviews and curriculum webs are available on the school website. Please use the following link.

[https://williampenn.eschools.co.uk/cms\\_manage/edit\\_page/649480](https://williampenn.eschools.co.uk/cms_manage/edit_page/649480)

### **ROOTS Forest School Free Session**

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FREE Forest School Monday 29 May 10am – 3pm  
for young people aged 8+  
Daylands Farm  
Honeybridge Lane  
Ashurst  
Steyning  
BN44 3AW  
we will meet at Daylands Farm at 10am and spend  
the day in beautifully managed ancient woodland  
on a working farm  
lunch (featuring locally sourced meat from Calcot Farm) included  
outdoor cooking  
traditional skills  
community building  
free play  
ecology & education  
the sense of wonder  
rsvp: rootswestsussex@gmail.com

### **Safeguarding/Health and Safety/Wellbeing Update**

Please be advised that inconsiderate parking has caused problems for local residents this week. Some driveways have been blocked and other cars have parked on the yellow zig zags, or turned in the school entrance whilst children have been entering or leaving the school. Please help keep our pupils safe.

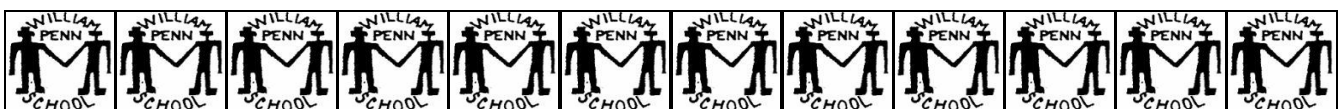
For those of you who are looking for resources to help children, of different ages, develop awareness of road safety, please use the link below:

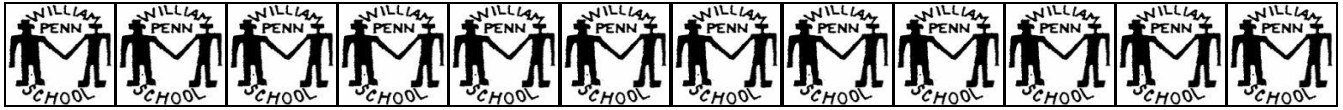
<https://www.think.gov.uk/education-resources/>

### **Pupil Achievements Outside of School**

Congratulations to Arlo C who has received trophies from each of his football clubs, one for 'the player of the day' and the other for 'most improved player'. Congratulations also to Indie Lobow who also received a well-deserved trophy.

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





## Friday Golden Assembly Awards 19.05.2023

Please see below:

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden	<p><b>Jessica</b> For being such a delight in Cadbury Class. She always has a smile on her face and such a positive outlook. She brings joy to others and her energetic nature inspires all of her classmates. Well done Jessica!</p>	<p><b>Maxwell</b> For really applying himself to all his learning this week. He has had to be flexible to accommodate many changes, but he has acted very maturely and responsibly. Thank you, Maxwell.</p>	<p><b>James</b> For bringing such enthusiasm and energy for learning this week. He has worked very hard during our learning challenges, and he should feel very proud of himself. Well done James!</p>	<p><b>Jac</b> For working with such a determined attitude in test week this week. You have faced all the tests with a brilliant mindset. Well done Jac!</p>	<p><b>Andrew</b> For being a superstar during assessment week. You have been focused during the tests and your scores reflect this. Well done Andrew!</p>	<p><b>Alfie</b> For his growth mindset in English. In wanting to rewrite his initial idea to improve it, he acted like a real author.</p>	<p><b>Lola</b> For bringing her dramatic flair to the green screen performances this week. She spent time practising with her team to produce high quality results.</p>
Star Writer	<p><b>Elena</b> For always having such beautiful handwriting and having your confidence grow in writing sentences. You are doing so well, well done Elena!</p>	<p><b>Elana</b> For being so creative when writing a description of her own alien. She made sure to include lots of adjectives to really bring her character to life. Well done Elana.</p>	<p><b>Arlo</b> For a brilliant description of his alien, based on our class text. He took time to imagine his alien and made sure his writing was incredibly inventive. Well done Arlo.</p>	<p><b>Elliott</b> For working hard during assessment week. You made such a great attempt at answering all the questions. Your focus has been fantastic. Well done Elliott!</p>	<p><b>Violet</b> For tackling the reading assessment with a fantastic mindset. You went back over the questions to ensure you did your absolute best. An amazing effort. Well done Violet!</p>	<p><b>Sam</b> For returning to his work. Initially, he was unsure how to proceed with his speech writing, but he returned to his work and produced a concise but powerful call to action.</p>	<p><b>Shannessa and Alba</b> For an excellent performance in front of the green screen. Alba overcame her nerves and together, they delivered their hard-hitting message to parliament.</p>

