

The Patten Pages

The William Patten Newsletter for Parents and Children

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Dear parents,

Another two very busy weeks have flown by as we countdown towards the end of term and another fabulous year at WP. Please check the calendar at the end of the newsletter; we still have so many events and trips planned, including Sports Day, Hackney Music Festival, music concerts and gymnastic displays.

This week we held our very first William Patten Eid party. On Monday the bottom hall was once again host to many, many delicious vegetarian and nut free dishes, prepared by our Muslim families and staff. We had two special assemblies on the day as well, for EYFS / KS1 and KS2 and the children in 1N also shared their work they have been doing with The Olive School, a Muslim faith school.

Thank you so very much to our Muslim families and staff for your overwhelming generosity and support for this event – bringing in enough food for the whole school to enjoy was quite astonishing! So many parents also helped out on the day and came to the assemblies - it was so lovely to see you and the day would not have been possible without you. I think this is going to be a new WP tradition!

The Year 6 children came back from their residential trip to WildChild in Hertfordshire and they had a super time trying out new skills such as kayaking and climbing. A big thank you to the staff team - Ben, Diane, Billy, Jim, Cem, Sue and Freya, who went on the trip. Year 6 now have their talent show to get ready and we are looking forward to seeing that at the end of the year.

Once again we were delighted to be a host venue for the children's events as part of the Stoke Newington Literary Festival on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June. Children (and adults) enjoyed storytelling and activities featuring amongst others Samuel Drew Hasn't a Clue, The Dragon in the Library, The Strongest Mum's Treasure Hunt and local favourite, poet John Hegley. From my office I could hear all the visitors admiring the Book in a Box entries on the window ledges and so many people complimenting the school in general – that was very lovely to hear!

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Karen

Enjoying William Patten's first Eid party!





1N shared their experience of working with a partner class at the Olive School this year, in a special assembly as part of the Eid party celebration day this week. Children showed their work and KS1 and KS2 found out about what they had learnt from their new friends. Following this, the children found out about pilgrimage and learnt about Rhoksana's recent visit to Mecca, as part of a pilgrimage called 'Umrah' in the Islamic faith. Thank you to both 1N and Rhoksana for sharing their experiences, so that others could learn as part of this special day.

Dogs' Trust

All the classes from Year 1 – 5 have had Dogs' Trust workshops over the last two weeks. The Dogs' Trust Education Team have been delivering free educational workshops and assemblies across the UK since 2003. Educating children about responsible dog ownership and safety around dogs is an important part of what they do at Dogs Trust.

By helping young people learn about the responsibilities and commitment involved in dog ownership, they believe they can improve the welfare of dogs, both in the homes of the children they teach, as well as dogs they may meet when out and about in the community.



Year 6 sculpting project by Obinna Okoro 6B

Year 6 have been thoroughly enjoying designing and building astonishing structures in their sculpture workshop. Ranging from turtles to paragliders, everyone crated unique objects simply from wire and tape! It was a thrilling subject to do, especially after the tiring residential trip. Ultimately, we chose a few of the many models to replicate and enlarge. All the children were delighted with their phenomenal work and the models will be placed throughout the school in order for everyone to admire them.



Year 6 Residential trip

by Elsie Enright 6B

As all of you are aware, on Monday 3rd June 2019, Year 6 had the pleasure of going on their Year 6 residential trip with Wildchild Adventures. Some of the activities we took part in were potholing, abseiling and ziplining – as one of the students in my class said, “The speed of it was WILD!!” Camping for many was a new experience too, and while the times for waking up definitely varied, everyone agreed that the experience for us children was ‘wild’!

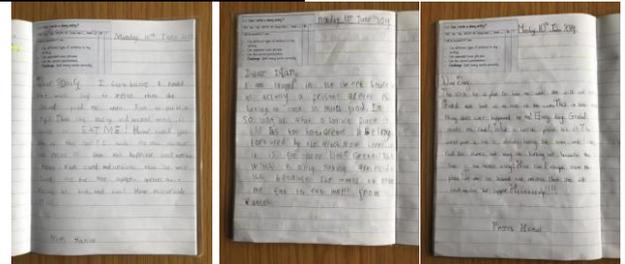


Reception story hunt

Nursery and Reception had a fantastic workshop with the Freshwater theatre this week! Our first job was to wake up Big Bird, we started by whispering but soon had to shout his name because he was so sleepy! Once we were equipped with our binoculars, cat's nose, gloves and listening ears we began our story hunt! Following our leader we climbed to the Antarctic and found an iceberg. There we met a penguin who we popped into our story bag and continued our journey, waddling like penguins all the way to the Arctic to visit the North Pole. We learnt about the Inuit people and how they dress, what they eat and how they travel and live. Finally we skated across the ice to a cave where we discovered a polar bear! He came with us and we returned to Big Bird to tell him all about our brilliant trip!



Super writing in Year 2



**WOW!
Wonderful
writing!**

Ed, Marnie and Nana from Year 2 came to share their amazing writing with Karen this week. She was yet again amazed at the quality of work from the children. The children had written diary entries and had to use different types of sentences, correct punctuation and use expanded noun phrases! She was so impressed that she said their work had to go in the newsletter so everyone could see it.

Edible Playground



The Edible Playground was officially opened last week. Each class went to visit and see what was growing. We are growing carrots, chard, spinach, cabbage, blackcurrants, strawberries and rhubarb in the Edible Playground. The squirrels have been enjoying the strawberries, so we hope we have some left!

- **Soil** - We want to make sure that all the soil stays in the beds. Lots of edible plants are growing in each of the raised beds, even if you can't see it on the surface yet, there is lots of growing happening!
- **Seating** - there is allocated seating around the edges of the beds for children to enjoy a calm and quiet space.
- **Climbing** - do not, under any circumstances, climb over or on the beds.
- **Harvesting** - please do not pull out or pick any of the plants growing in the Edible Playground and most definitely do not eat them straight from the ground! They will be harvested in lessons with a teacher leading.
- **Planting sticks** - lollipop sticks are in the beds which tell us what has been planted. Please do not take these out. This is really important as otherwise we don't know what is planted where.
- **Respectful** - please be respectful and mindful that this is intended to be a calm space.
- **Before and after school** - please make sure you treat the space respectfully and follow the rules before and after school, not just at playtimes.
- **Telling an adult** - if you see someone being inappropriate then tell an adult in school, either a TA or teacher.
- **Mushrooms** - please do not pick and most definitely do not eat any mushrooms that you see growing! These have not been planted specifically and wild mushrooms can be poisonous.

Soundscape premiere!

KS1 and Years 3, 4 and 5 attended the premiere of the Soundscape project this week. Parents had the opportunity to listen to the Soundscape on Wednesday evening.

The culmination of the work done by artist Jan Cullen, formerly Family Programmes Manager at the National Portrait Gallery, sound designer Rob Szeiglia and artist Angela Wright has resulted in an amazing recording of children at William Patten speaking of their worries about air quality, traffic on the roads and pollution. The piece featured interviews with local people and whole school chanting about breathing and keeping air clean. The children learnt to use professional recording equipment and the piece features the sounds of engines and idling buses, children playing, singing and taking deep breaths. The beautiful felt lungs that the children made have been attached to the ivy green screen and the lungs have certainly caught the eye of the people on the buses and the general public, who have been taking photographs and coming into school to ask what they are!

A huge thank you to Jan, Rob and Angela for their inspirational work and the opportunities they have provided for the children of WP. We would love to work with you again!



School Streets proposal

School Streets is a scheme to transform roads outside schools, so that only pedestrians and cyclists can use them for 45 minutes at school start and finish times. There are now five School Streets in Hackney with two more being introduced later this month.

School Streets are designed to:

- reduce congestion near school gates at school opening and closing time
- improve road safety and accessibility for those walking and cycling
- encourage active travel to school for children, parents and staff
- reduce air pollution at the school gates

Hackney Council will have 7 School Streets implemented by June 2019 and plan to reach 17 sites by 2022.

School Streets work by erecting signage to inform drivers of the restrictions at the entrances to the zone. Cameras will automatically issue a fixed penalty notice to non-permitted vehicles entering the street during the times of operation. Access for vehicles registered to residents and businesses in the School Street zone is maintained through issuing exemptions. Vehicles driven by parents or staff will not be granted an exemption, unless they are blue badge holders. Parents who drive their children to school will be asked to park and complete the last part of their journey on foot. William Patten has expressed an interest in having a School Street and has been in discussion with the Council to implement one in Autumn 2019, with public consultation to take place in June / July. You will have the opportunity to put your views to the Council and comment on the proposals in the public consultation in June. Your comments and suggestions will be taken into consideration.

More information can be found at:

<http://www.hackney.gov.uk/school-streets>

PTFA Lottery



Results of the June lottery draw:

1st prize, £40 –Karen Law (no introduction needed!)

2nd prize, £30 – Lucy Brown (Rudy Y6)

3rd prize, £20 – Chris Dearie (Elsa Y3/ Calum Rec)

Thank you to everyone who takes part in the lottery which raises a lot of money for the PTFA. If you would like to join please collect a form from the office or contact Jasmine (Cecily, 4Y and Vita 2L) at Jasminedick1@yahoo.co.uk

Year 3 & 4 football victory!

Here they are - the faces of champions! We had a wonderful day in this Year 3 / 4 mixed competition with minimum of 3 girls playing in every match. We had a good warm up and consequently hit the ground running, winning our first match 2-0 playing sparkling football. By the time we played our 7th game there were still 3 teams who could make the final, so all to play for. We were down twice, 1-0 and 2-1, before storming back to win 4-2. Really exciting stuff and by now we were catching a bit of attention! We made the final and beat our old rival Betty Layward to cap a satisfying and thoroughly exciting afternoon. All that remains to say is the players were magnificent and they did William Patten proud. Their reward for this is an invitation to a tournament at Tottenham Hotspur training complex! (Brian Bramble – football coach)



Headteacher's Award tea party

Congratulations to the latest group of children for achieving five Headteacher Award nominations. They enjoyed an afternoon of fun and cakes with Karen yesterday – well done to Elise, Ezra, Tiggy, Muiy, Chloe, Vita, Benny G, Charlie C, Grace, Quentin, Cecilia, Elsie H, Joe, Sophia, Rayn, Aadaeze, Florence D, Camilla, Sasha, Shifa, Triston, Tyresse, Alfie I, Mark and George.



Diary dates

June

- 17th Year 5 & 6 Careers Week
Y4 Viking Animation for parents 2.45pm
- 18th Clissold Cup (boys football)
Little Angel Puppet Show for Early Years & Y1
KS1 Choir to Round Chapel (10.45-11.45am)
- 19th Y6 transition with Place2Be (group 1)
- 20th Class photographs
KS2 Choir to Round Chapel (2.00-5.00pm)
Y6 transition with Place2Be (group 2)
- 21st Y5 & 6 workshop (Young Hackney Futures)
Reception to Round Chapel
Year 5 to St Mary's Old Church (pm)
- 24th Hispanic Week
KS2 Sports Day
- 25th KS1 Sports Day
Year 2 'Lost & Found' Soundscape for parents
- 26th Instrumental to Round Chapel (pm)
- 27th Clissold Cup (Year 3 mixed football)
- 28th Music concert (brass, woodwind, keyboards, orchestra)
- 30th Summer Fair

July

- 1st Nursery Sports Day
Music concert (violins, steel pans)
- 2nd Deborah Reade Art Award judging 3.45pm
Y6 police cadet workshops (moped crime)
- 3rd Transition day for Reception to Year 5
- 4th Transition day for Year 6
- 8th Last week of clubs
- 9th Deborah Reade Art Award assembly 11.30am
Year 6 show 6.30pm
- 10th Nursery gymnastics display for parents 9.30am
Y1 gymnastics display for parents 2.45pm
Y3 gymnastics display for parents 3.00pm
Lazar Sheridan/Helen Ham Award assembly 11.30am
- 11th First Aid training for Year 6
Secondary transition workshop 9.30am (parents)
- 12th Playstreet
- 15th Year 6 cycle training (4 days)
- 18th Year 6 BBQ 6.30pm
Opera project for nursery/reception
- 19th Year 6 graduation 11am
Break up for summer 1.30pm

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to Amina, Blythe E, Tyresse, Iris C, Evan, Clement V, Felix, Jago, Thomas E, Rufus B, Leo H, Vita, Abdul Haq, Charlie R and Memhet, Nicholas, Leo L, Tanak, Nikolai, Rudy and Tais who recently celebrated their special day.

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A 4-day Living Latin programme that explores the links between the ancient world and our own for pupils age 7-14.

The programme will include

- A tour of Roman Londinium
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- Myths and legends storytelling
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Attendance Chart



Yeter's class are the winners this week with **97.9%**. Well done **4Y** – excellent attendance!

Rec Georgia	96.3%
Rec Wendy	96.9%
Y1 Maya	96.4%
Y1 Natalie	96.3%
Y2 Laura	96.6%
Y2 Tanya	97.4%
Y3 Aimee	96.1%
Y3 Christine	96.5%
Y4 Marcus	96.1%
Y4 Yeter	97.9%
Y5 Helen	95.9%
Y5 Marion	95.5%
Y6 Ben	96.1%
Y6 Diane	96.4%

Change of contact details

Please remember to let the school office know if you change your contact details – mobile/work/home phone number, home address, childminder or emergency contact etc. Thank you.