

The Patten Pages

The William Patten Newsletter for Parents and Children

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Dear parents,

Welcome to the first edition of the Patten Pages for this year. We have had a great start to the new term with everyone settling so well into their new classes. A special welcome to our Nursery and Reception children who are now at school full time after doing half days as part of their induction. The Reception children started school dinners this week and are enjoying Ali's lunches and being looked after at lunchtimes by the Year 5 and 6 Peer Supporters.

The sunshine has sadly gone and we have been enjoying playing in the rain and jumping in the puddles. The rain has certainly benefited the Edible Playground and the roof garden, where we are now growing broccoli, rainbow chard, spinach and Russian kale. We harvested some of the rhubarb from the Edible Playground which Ali stewed and then we had it with yoghurt for dessert. I was surprised how many children wanted to try some! We also harvested the carrots and the beetroot, which we added to the salad bar at lunchtime. We are leaving the sunflowers to dry out hopefully if the rain stops, so the birds can have the seeds.

I am having a meeting with Andrew Cunningham, the head of Streetscene, on Monday to discuss various issues including the road closures, the results of the consultation about the School Street, bus stop outside school and the LEN16. The council has been awarded funding from the Mayor of London to improve air quality and opportunities for cycling and walking in Stoke Newington. I will feed back to parents next week. The car free day on Church Street last Sunday looked super, with a rainbow racetrack outside the fire station!

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Karen



William Patten has now been awarded Champion School Status by the publisher of Power Maths. This award recognises the successful implementation of the DfE scheme and follows observations of maths lessons at the school by a Power Maths representative. The following feedback has been given to the school in recognition of its achievement of the award -

'William Patten has been awarded the status of a "Power Maths Champion School" in recognition of the positive work they have done to introduce and successfully embed Power Maths across the school. They have worked with teachers, children, parents and the community to ensure that every child has the opportunity to succeed in their learning using Power Maths. As a Champion School, William Patten has shared its experience and has demonstrated that it is able to provide a model of excellence to help others successfully implement the approach in their school.'

Alexandra Riley - Senior Project Manager

The school will continue its link with the publisher and will continue to give feedback on the scheme to support further development to the benefit of schools nationally, as well as the children of William Patten.

Roman Day

Year 4 celebrated all things Roman this week! To start their topic on Roman history, the children visited the Museum of London where they got to handle real Roman artefacts to prompt historical enquiry. Their behaviour was wonderful and we would like to thank all the parents who supported them on the trip. The children also celebrated an important day in the Year 4 calendar – Roman Day! They discovered how to write their own Roman names on ‘wax’ tablets, made their own shields and marched in formation in the playground, ending their day with a Roman feast.



Year 1 local walk

This week, 1M and 1C went on their first trip of the year! We were very lucky to avoid the rain when we went on our geography field trip, and we were able to spot many of the human features of the local area, to compare with the physical features we have learnt about in class. We spotted street signs and road signs, lampposts and postboxes, shops and houses... some of us even saw our own houses too! A big thank you to all the parents that came with us and enabled the trip to go ahead. We are now looking ahead to an even bigger adventure at the Museum of Childhood after half term!



JRSO training

Leo and Flo from Year 5 participated as Junior Road Safety Officers at the Round Chapel. We learnt that you always need to check your bike before you ride using the ABCD (Air Brakes Chain and Direction) code. We also created posters about road safety for kids. In the afternoon, we went outside to measure the speed of cars with the community police officers, even Yeter had a go! We learnt all about electric cars and how to stay safe in a car. We then went on a bus and learnt how to be safe on buses and met the happiest bus driver in London! After that, we observed whether road users were being safe or if they were causing a hazard to themselves or other road users.

We also met two important people throughout the day; the first was Councillor Kam Adams for Hoxton East and Shoreditch. The second was Will Norman who is the Walking and Cycling Commissioner for London. We are excited about promoting how to be safe on the roads at William Patten.



Teddy Bears' Picnic

Reception children, their teddies and parents had their annual Teddy Bears' Picnic this afternoon to welcome them and their families to William Patten. Lots of delicious food was brought to share and everyone had a great time playing together.

Please remember to join us again, for the Reception Parents' RWI Meeting, on Monday 7th October at 9.20am.

Nursery children will be having their own special Teddy Bears Picnic on Monday 7th October at 1.40pm. We are looking forward to meeting the youngest members of our school community and their families. Don't forget to bring your teddy bears!



Kindness Cup

The Kindness Cup is presented at 'Good Deeds' assembly every Friday. Pupils can be nominated by a friend or member of staff for being super kind all of the time or showing extra kindness that week. Names of winners are displayed on the leaves of our Kindness Tree in the bottom hall.

Congratulations to the following children who are our recent winners. They got to take the special trophy home for the weekend and then display it in class for a week:

Olive Earley-Dotan 2L

Olive is incredibly kind to everyone in her class, always offering to help if someone is stuck on a tricky question. She does lots of little jobs and includes everyone in her games.

Kacey Foot 2S

Kacey was nominated by his teacher for being such a kind and caring member of the class. He always goes out of his way to help others and Sophie!

Arthur Dragazis 4H

Arthur is very kind to others and very patient. He has been a fantastic role model at the beginning of Year 4.

Ronnie Heseltine 5E

Ronnie was nominated by a member of his class because he is kind, helpful and caring when his friends are in need.

Edible Playground Playground news



The Edible Playground is our new space in the Keystage 1 playground. You will all have seen it by now but there are several exciting, new features that we want to tell you about!

There are new fun toys made by **Outside Studios** in our playground. Outside Studios design and deliver outdoor experiences – and Amy’s mum, Catherine, works for them.

The new features for our Edible Playground include: a drum, a spin, a roll, a peep and a rub.

The rub is a wax rubber which you place on paper and press against a template to create a picture. The technique is similar to when you rub over the outline of a coin, like in this picture:



The Roll is a toy that is attached to the wall. You are able to make sentences out of it by rolling the different sections – and the sentences make challenges to solve.

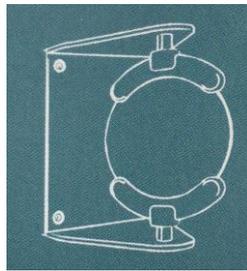


The Peep lets you look through a hole to see what’s inside. What you see might change from season to season!

1: ROLL 2: PEEP



The Spin turns around so quickly it looks like the pictures on it are animated. This is called a thaumatrope. There is a book which is full of information about the different features.



Raising money for the Anaphylaxis Campaign



Luisa and Nadia (WP teaching assistants) will be taking part on the London Walk Marathon on the 28th September to raise funds and awareness of the Anaphylaxis campaign.

“You can help us raise money for this great cause by donating directly to their fundraising page - <https://www.justgiving.com/LuisaNadia>.

JustGiving sends your donation straight to the Anaphylaxis Campaign so that they can put your generosity to good use!

Thank you for your support!

Best wishes to all,

Luisa & Nadia”

Reception Class Admissions

Parents can apply for a Reception class place for September 2020 by completing an online application form at <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>. The deadline is 15th January 2020. Parents are advised to read the primary admission guide, particularly the details regarding the number of applicants who were successful in the previous year and the criteria under which they were offered places and are encouraged to list at least 4 schools on the application form.

<https://www.learningtrust.co.uk/content/primary-before-you-apply?guidebook=188>

PTFA update

Big thanks to everyone who made it along to the first PTFA meeting of the year - it was great to see so many new faces. We covered plenty of ground, including upcoming plans for the year, the Halloween party (to be held on October 31st 6-8pm if we get sufficient volunteers), the Winter Fair date (December 1st), class reps, and the search for new co-chairs. If you’re interested in getting involved, please email hannahkw@hotmail.com and gregallan1@me.com. Here’s to another great year!

Attendance Chart



We have only been back at school for a few weeks, but a few classes stand out already for their amazing attendance. Well done to **1C** and **5E** (over 99%). Keep it up!

Rec Cyrelle	97.1%
Rec Kate/Maria	97.1%
Y1 Charlotte	99.5%
Y1 Maya	97.8%
Y2 Laura	97.1%
Y2 Sophie	97.6%
Y3 Luke	98.5%
Y3 Christine	97.5%
Y4 Hannah	98.9%
Y4 Marion	98.6%
Y5 Ellen	99.1%
Y5 Yeter	95.4%
Y6 Ben	96%
Y6 Harriet	97.9%

Reminder: If your child is unable to come to school please telephone or email school by 9.25am. If they are away for more than one day, please keep us informed each day. If we don't hear from you we will send a text message informing you of your child's absence, requesting that you contact the school immediately.

William Patten PTFA Lottery draw:



Roll up, roll up! Would you like to enter the William Patten lottery, have the chance to win cash prizes and donate to the PTFA at the same time? If so, please get in touch with Jasmine Hayward (Cecily 5E and Vita 3C) to find out more about setting up a monthly direct debit, from as little as £1. Email jasminedick1@yahoo.co.uk or contact via the school office. Congratulations to the lucky winners for August and September 2019.

August winners

- 1st James Barr (Beatrix Y3 and Benedict Y1)
- 2nd Lena Corner (Ellis Y3)
- 3rd Barbara Roucayrol (Alec Y5 and Zack Y3)

September winners

- 1st Thushan Liyange (Aarya Y3)
- 2nd Caroline Gargaro (ex-parent)
- 3rd Julian Winship (ex-parent)

Remember - you have to be in it to win it!

Reminder - NO nuts in school



Please remember that nuts are not allowed in school. We have children with severe allergies and need everyone's help to ensure that we remain a nut-free school.

★ HAPPY ★ BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to all those who have celebrated their birthday since the last newsletter (including some of our new children) - Mohammed Zayan, Evie, Dante, Sasha, Isabella G, Destiny, Harrison L, Tino, Rudy S, Ezra, Flossie, Rafael, Ella, Jake, Max P, Arthur D, Inayah, Nihal, Martha, Jayden, Sota, Beatrice, Elsie D, Josefin, Yasmine, Ilakya, Freddie L, Jonathan G, Alba L, Paige, Elijah, Penelope, Lukas, Theodor, Zepi, Caoimhe, Hector, Pelle, Mercer, Serin, Anna A, Sophia, Zia, Aminah, Jibril, Elsie H, Alex P, Ailish, Aris, Isabelle, Bailey, Leon, Sonny H, Zaynab, Nathan, Aydin, Milla, Orrin and Barin.



OCTOBER

- 2nd Meeting re. Kench Hill (Y6 parents) 6.15pm
- RWI meeting for Year 1 parents 9.20am
- 7th RWI meeting for reception parents 9.20am
- Nursery Teddy Bears Picnic 1.40pm
- 8th Equaliteach workshops for Years 5 & 6
- 9th Year 3 trip to Museum of London
- 10th Young Shakespeare workshops for Year 6
- 15th Year 2 workshops – Great Fire of London
- 16th Year 2 visiting St Paul's
- Year 5 & 6 girls football tournament
- 17th Y1 Power Maths meeting for parents 6.15pm
- 18th Indian Dance workshops
- UCL ChemAirPoll for Year 6 classes
- Break up for half term
- 28th Children return to school
- 6H to Kench Hill
- Diwali assembly
- 30th 4H visiting Hackney Museum
- 31st PTFA Halloween party

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