

The Patten Pages

The William Patten Newsletter for Parents and Children

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Dear parents,

The last three weeks have flown by and it is hard to believe that we break up for the Easter holiday next week!

The staff and children have been working incredibly hard, settling back into the established routines, planting lots of seeds in the roof garden, enjoying Red Nose Day and spending time together.

As well as following our Spring term curriculum, we have used some of the time back in school to plan for the support that we will provide during the Summer term, in relation to interventions and supporting mental health and well being.

We have listened to feedback from our recent staff, parent and children surveys, completed assessments in reading, writing and maths and investigated DfE guidance on how to best support children's recovery from school closure.

I will be sending more information home at the start of next week about our plans for the summer term, to ensure that we address the above, but that we also continue to ensure that we provide lots of opportunities for creativity and fun, which is such an important part of our school ethos.

As it is the end of term next week, we will be celebrating by having a party / chill out afternoon on Thursday. Unfortunately the children will not be able to bring their toys in, as they usually do, but they can bring party food in. All food must be nut free and vegetarian. All items must be wrapped / sealed, so sadly no homebaked creations!

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the staff team who have done such a fabulous job during the period of school closure and then welcoming the children back this half term. They have ensured the transition back to school has been so smooth and all children have settled so quickly. What a team and we are very fortunate that they work at WP! ☺

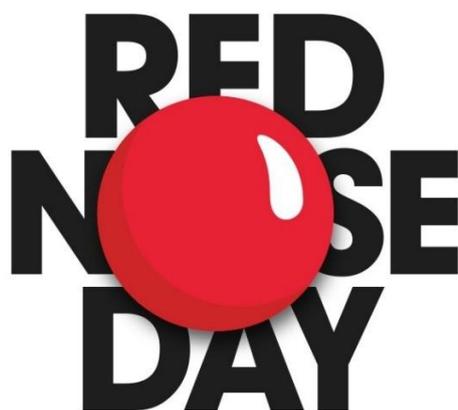
I would also like to say thank you to our families for your continuous support, which means so much to us and wish you a lovely weekend and enjoy the Easter break!

Best wishes
Karen



Next week at William Patten we will be marking World Autism Awareness Week through assemblies and activities in class. Our aim will be to encourage children to appreciate and value difference within our school community.

Using resources developed by the National Autistic Society, we will be learning about the characteristics that autistic children may have through a set of characters called 'The Trummies'. We will be encouraging children to think about ways they can support and introduce them to 'Five Good Rules for Autism Friendly Schools'



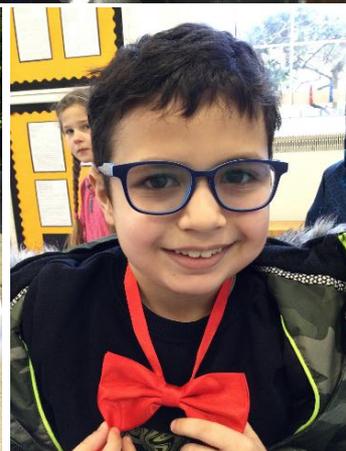
Everyone enjoyed Red Nose Day last Friday. Children came to school with wacky hairstyles and painted faces, in pyjamas, fancy dress or wearing red.

A big thank you to everyone who raised money through sponsorship or collecting spare change. We raised nearly **£650** which is a fantastic amount!



Red Nose Day at William Patten





Spring Term Sowing

The growing season is upon us! Every class is now Springing into action, sowing seeds in their classrooms (which they'll later transfer into the Edible Playground) as well as some directly into the raised beds on the roof terrace. The seeds have been chosen to produce vegetables and fruit which Ali will be able to use as ingredients in his school lunches. We also hope it will be possible to hold a summer picnic at the end of the year. EYFS are growing broccoli, basil, nasturtium and butternut squash. KS1 are growing cucumbers, beetroot and rocket, and KS2 are growing carrots, sunflowers, chives, lettuce, mange tout, pumpkins and tomatoes. We can't wait to see the results. Site manager David and his assistant John will continue to water our seeds over the Easter break and we hope to see the initial results of our efforts on return for the summer term. Flowers and bulbs are also being grown and every class knows what actions are required throughout the school year to maintain the outdoor growing areas.



Maths is magical!

Year 4 and 5 took part in a remote maths themed 'Magic Workshop' on Tuesday this week. The event was hosted by Douglas Buchanan on behalf of Christ's Hospital and the City of London Corporation. Normally, Douglas travels around the country running maths challenges and this academic year he has held regular virtual events. He has also previously hosted four challenges for Christ's Hospital and the City of London Corporation at the Guildhall. The event highlighted the fact that many magic tricks involve maths and Douglas performed a series of activities with the intention that participants could take these with them to create their own magic shows! In some of the tricks, children were shown the maths behind them and in others, challenges were set to work out how the "magic" is done.

As part of the workshop, children also considered the history of the Guildhall, London. The aim of the workshop was to try and inspire pupils even more to connect with maths, and perhaps we'll see some magicians (as well as mathematicians) of the future as a result!

Floating and sinking

In nursery the children enjoyed looking at floating and sinking at home for our homework. We then made predictions as we explored floating and sinking in class. We were all surprised to find out that elastic bands sunk to the bottom in our experiment.



Congratulations to the EYFS Super Achievers and those who received a HT Award certificate.

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Super Achievers

Nursery	Fraser and Jeremiah
Rec C	Alfie
Rec HM	Anna A

HT Award Certificates

1C	Janilson, Kerim, Eli, Bella, Stella
1M	Arlo, Shaneeya, Ebe, Areal, Hamza
2L	Sumayyah, Tais, Calum, Sadie, Arlo
2S	Maria, Ali, Sawyer, Corin, Ellie
3C	Benny, Aurelien, Ilakya, Jago, Leon
3L	Aris, Jonah, Amber, Sammy, Juno
4H	Anna, Aykut, Leo, Osi, Tiarah
4M	Charlie, Musa, Theo, Raphael, Hector
5E	Tristan T, Cecilia, Julian, Kulsum, Melany
5Y	Josephine, Silver, Sophie, Zumra, Unsha
6B	Jamie, Doty, Romeo, Grazie, Shazana
6H	Fabio, Mia, Mehdi, Altay, Grace

26.03.21

Super Achievers

Nursery	Khloe and Eesa
Rec C	Aroz
Rec HM	Dante

HT Award Certificates

1C	Tommy, Josie, Patrick, Kay, Arlo
1M	Grace, Keon, Huxley, Aalia, Theo
2L	Amy, Sunny, Destiny, Bay, Betty
2S	Orhan, Mercer, Sadie, Francis, Emir
3C	Harleen, Betty, Harrison, Tiggy, Louie
3L	Doga, Casper, Yusuf, Jonny, Alex
4H	Aras, Land, Max, Mohammed Talha, Rudy
4M	Aydin, Quentin, Nico, Xola, Lucas
5E	Sophia, Luke, Rayn, Ruby-May, Elsie
5Y	Eliza, Sophie, Silver, Emran, Ben
6B	Charlie, Olive, Zaynab, Alexina, Elif
6H	Adaeze, Matilda, Malaika, Ava, Orla

Spring Festivals Assembly

We are looking forward to a special whole school remote assembly next week. The assembly will acknowledge the religious and cultural events that take place at this time of year. These including: the Hindu festival 'Holi', the Jewish Festival 'Pesach', as well as Easter. The assembly will make links to positive themes such as new beginnings and Spring, and having all the children back in school after the lockdown has felt like a very positive new beginning. Diya (5Y) has been busy preparing pictures of herself and her family celebrating Holi and will share the history of the festival, how it is celebrated and the Hindu story of Holi. We wish all our families, including those who are, will be, or have been celebrating a special religious event, a happy time of year.

Attendance Chart



Ellen's class are at the top of the chart this time with **96.4%**. Well done **5E!**

R Cyrelle	95.9%	R Helen/Maria	92.5%
Y1 Charlotte	95.9%	Y1 Maya	96.1%
Y2 Laura	94.9%	Y2 Sophie	95.8%
Y3 Luke	95.1%	Y3 Christine	94.2%
Y4 Hannah	96.3%	Y4 Marion	92.9%
Y5 Ellen	96.4%	Y5 Yeter	93.5%
Y6 Ben	93.9%	Y6 Harriet	93.4%

YEMSTARS AND HACKNEY LACES PRESENT

GIRLS FOOTBALL CAMP

APRIL 6TH - 9TH | 12 PM - 3 PM
MABLEY GREEN, HACKNEY E9 5HW

We are welcoming girls aged 5 - 16 to join us for 4 free sessions of football and fun games over the Easter break. Get involved!

Contact Yemisi to book:
Yemstars1@gmail.com | 07802653611

**★ HAPPY ★
BIRTHDAY!**

Many happy returns to the following children who celebrated their special day since the last Patten Pages: Chloe, Leo, Amaia, Zachary, Ares, Luca, Olive, Cameron and Aurelien and to those who will celebrate it before we break up for Easter: Holly, Kaizer, Isabella and Henry. Happy birthday!