

# The Patten Pages

The William Patten Newsletter for Parents and Children

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Dear parents,

Welcome back after the Easter holiday! We have a busy term planned with lots to look forward to including our whole school Eid party next week and the celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in the week before half term. We expect that Eid will fall at some point this weekend depending on the moon and we would like to say Eid Mubarak to our families celebrating! We will be able to share this wonderful time with them, as we are holding our own Eid party on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May. We have asked our families who celebrate Eid to donate food that they have as part of their family celebrations. Ali will also be making food to share as will other staff in the school. The food will be sweet or savoury and all will be vegetarian and nut free. Families will bring the food in the morning and we will put it out in the hall. We have lots of parent volunteers who are giving up their time to help prepare and serve the food, so a big thank you to them! All classes will be timetabled throughout the day to visit and sample some of the delicious dishes. We will be having a special Eid assembly for EYFS / KS1 and KS2 and each class will be having a lesson to find out more about the importance of Ramadan and Eid to Muslims around the world.

We have begun our preparation for our Platinum Jubilee celebrations and are very excited! On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May, WP will celebrate the Queen's 70 years on the throne. Each year group has been allocated a decade from the Queen's reign and the children will focus on what the key events from the decade were and dress up in the clothes of the time. EYFS will focus on the 1950s, Year 1 the 1960s, Year 2 the 1990s, Year 3 the 2010s, Year 4 the 1970's, Year 5 the 2000s and Year 6 the 1980s. The whole school will look at the 2020s and we will celebrate with our very own pageant in the playground, where the year groups will share what they have learnt and we will sing a whole school song! The day will also include a picnic lunch and each child will receive a Jubilee mug. If you have any photographs from the decade your child will be studying, of friends or family, that you would be happy to share / let us photocopy, please send them in at the start of that week. Be thinking about what your child could dress up in too!

Finally a huge congratulations to the Year 5 football team! They played a friendly against Princess May last week and it was not just the score that was impressive! They won 19 – 4, which was a fantastic result, but their behaviour, sportsmanship and all round team spirit and good manners was fabulous. Players from the Princess May team approached Brian our coach after our game and said they

really admired our team's football and style of play! How lovely of them to say that!

Thank you to Pablo, Fred, Eli, Pelle, Yoshi, Bowie, Rudy, Ellis, Leo, Jack S, Harry and Daniel for being such excellent ambassadors for WP ☺

Enjoy the long weekend and let's hope for some sunshine!

Best wishes

Karen

## Super writing in Nursery

This week, we have been looking at the story "Betsy Buglove saves the Bees." Zoe and Imogen decided they wanted to write about the minibeasts that they had carefully cut out. They worked so hard to form their letters and we are really proud of their writing.



**EYFS made Fairy gardens** as part of their topic 'In the Garden'. They have been planted with Forget-me-nots. Aren't they lovely? We hope that the gardens will flourish! Children will receive and write letters from the fairies and some children have even started similar gardens at home.

**Nursery Fairy garden**



**RecC Fairy garden**



**RecHM Fairy garden**



**Language Leaders**

We were delighted to be able to re-establish our link with Clapton Girls' Academy this week, by once again welcoming KS3 students to lead Spanish lessons and learning. KS3 'Language Leaders' are students who are excelling in Spanish in their secondary school and have been asked to be positive role models for supporting younger children in language learning in primary settings.

This time, our lucky year groups were Year 3 and Year 5. The Y3 session consolidated and extended current learning on descriptions with using colours in Spanish and the Year 5 sessions supported and extended current learning about the weather and features of the seasons. The language leaders, who visited with their Spanish teachers, explained and modelled the Spanish vocabulary expertly and engaged the children in varied tasks, such as language games, partner work and independent recording with multiple opportunities for speaking and listening. The students were excellent role models and were exceptionally well prepared! They excelled in encouraging the Year 3 and 5 children to challenge themselves and be able to use the focus vocabulary in new ways and in varying contexts. We look forward to future visits from Language Leaders from CGA and other local secondary schools in the future, to support the teaching and learning of Spanish at William Patten.



## Spanish Pop-Up Café

The annual Year 4 culinary extravaganza took place last week.

After careful consideration of hygiene standards, nutritional content, farming practices, marketing strategies and environmental factors, the children prepared a delicious feast of bean burritos, salsa, guacamole, tortilla chips and tapas treats. All the ingredients were plant-based and allergy-friendly.

We also harvested and made use of beetroot grown by Year 3 in the Edible Garden!

Special thanks to our Year 5 helpers who shared their expertise with us.





**The School Council meet every two weeks to provide our pupil voice for William Patten - what is going well and what we need to improve!**

**Questions and suggestions brought to our last two meetings:**

**Can we go on school trips again?**

*Yes – the school slowly getting back to ‘normal’ after COVID and we have plans!*

**Can we have more ping pong tables?**

*Possibly – if you can think of a good space for them to go. We can’t put any in the KS1 playground because they are too high for the KS1 children to use.*

**Are year 3 children allowed to bring Rubik cubes to school?**

No – we don’t allow any toys in school.

**Can we have recycled art and French clubs?**

*Possibly – we’ll put it on the ‘ideas for clubs list’ for next year.*

**Can we have a climbing wall?**

*Possibly – careful consideration would be needed in terms of where, how much would it cost, how safe would it be etc.*

**Is it possible to have BBQ sauce on veggie burger day?**

Yes – Sian will ask Elmara to order some.

**Can we have jelly more often, and get waffles and salad dressing back?**

No/No/Yes - we plan for a range of different foods across three weeks and the menus are staying the same for this term. The salad dressing was removed as hardly anyone used it. We can trial some different ones for the rest of this term.

**When are we going to start the donation of books to other classes?**

Year 5 School Counsellors are going to plan this and report back at the next meeting.

**There are lots of balls in the ball cage. Can we get them all out for the playground to pay football with?**

No – we only have football on the astro-turf pitch, where it is supervised by an adult, to avoid balls hitting other people in the playground. You can play ACE on the grid or thumb ball against the walls with a tennis ball. All other areas of the playground must remain ball-free for the safety of everyone.

**Can year 6 have two slices of pizza on Friday?**

No – a pizza slice is just one part of the school meal as you also have wedges, sweetcorn, peas or beans and salad. We do understand it’s confusing as you’d have a whole pizza at home or in a restaurant.



**Our Mental Health and Wellbeing Governor, Nandi Simpson, joined our meeting in March and asked the children what one word they would use if asked about William Patten. They shared their own and then asked in class too. This is what pupils said...**

Grateful, calm, happy, peaceful, loved, fair, excited, happy, mixed, safe, tired, kindness, friends, teamwork, sharing, welcoming, brave, togetherness, hard-working, cool, inventive, joyous, laughter, friendships, fun, fabtastic, creative, fantastic, amazing, good and crazy!

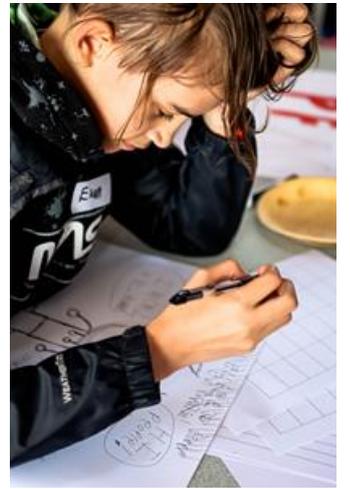
**Thank you to all our School Councillors for your dedication and commitment to the role. You are amazing!**



## Hackney Young Voices Project

For the past couple of months, Play/Space has been working with William Patten on an exciting project, Hackney Young Voices. Our 12 young people have been exploring creative skills, from coming up with ideas and concepts, collaborating in a group, designing and more, in collaboration with professional artists, illustrators and filmmakers. They have worked so well and so hard to create a very special artwork that will grace a billboard in Central Hackney this August during the Discover Young Hackney festival. But that's not all! You will be able to see their work and personal portfolios on a dedicated website. The workshops have been documented by filmmakers and will be screened in the autumn too. The team at PlaySpace has been bowled over by our young talents' creativity – they have come up with something very special and we cannot wait to share it with the world...

**Katherine Mengardon**



## Eco Team planting

The Eco Team have most certainly got green fingers after their gardening session! The members all had a wonderful time getting muddy and taking responsibility for sowing and planting their classes' crop. All being well, crops will be harvested from the beginning of summer and throughout the autumn. We are looking forward to tasting a variety of nutritious vegetables and fruit, which will include cucumber, beetroot, tomatoes, lettuce and much more!

For more information about which crops each year group will be taking responsibility for this growing season (and where the seedlings will be planted), please see the following overview on the Eco Team page of the school website:

<https://www.williampatten.hackney.sch.uk/pupils/eco-team/>



## Karen's tea parties



Congratulations to Dante, Juliet, Micaiah, Ollie, Clara, Poppy, Bay, Freddie, Sota, Aidan, August, Zep, Olivia, Leia, Max, Aurelien, Lukas, Alba, Romy, Arlo, Beatrice, Ellora, Feadan, Matilda, Keon and Matiu who all enjoyed their special tea party with Karen this week.

Each week we introduce a new **Tool** and **Game of the Week**. Posters go up around school and each class practises the new tool and discuss which zone it would be useful for. They also play the new game. Here are the latest so you can try them out at home.

### ZONES TOOL OF THE WEEK 19.4.22



The ZONES of Regulation®

### ZONES TOOL OF THE WEEK 25.4.22



The ZONES of Regulation®

### GAME OF THE WEEK 19.4.22

#### The Ogre's Castle

- Choose one person to be the ogre. They should stand in the middle of the playing area.
- The other players divide into two teams: Team 1 and Team 2. Each team stands at opposite ends of the playing area.
- The ogre shouts "toss" or "toss" and the chosen team needs to run to the opposite end.
- If the ogre tags someone they must stand still.
- When the first team has finished crossing the next team must try and cross.
- When the team is crossing they should try and release the tagged children by touching them on the shoulder.
- Released children should stand at the side of the playground. They are no longer in the game.
- Play continues until one child is free. This person becomes the next ogre.

### GAME OF THE WEEK 25.4.22

#### Animal Tag

- Divide into two teams with each team standing at opposite ends of the playing area.
- One team chooses an animal they would like to imitate.
- That team travels to about 1m from the other team, moving like their chosen animal.
- The team watching tries to guess which animal they are imitating.
- If they guess correctly, they choose the other team back to their starting line and try to tag as many as possible.
- If tagged, the player must join the other team.
- The groups then change roles. The second team chooses an animal etc.
- The teams keep on swapping roles throughout the game.

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

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

### Super Achievers

Nursery	Ryan and Yaqub
Rec C	Jeremiah
Rec HM	Iris

### HT Award Certificates

1C	Jamie, Suki, Blake, Robbie, Milla
1S	Marcelo, Elijah, Aster, Max, Huxley
2C	Nyren, Ava, Josie, Fatima, Grace
2L	Patrick, Millie, Rosalie, Areal, Daisy
3E	Calum, Violet, Esha, Betty, Thierry
3L	Tazio, Ellie, Orhan, Asya, Ocean
4E	Rex, Jayden, Alexander, Audrey, Luc
4M	Mohinder, Jonah, Mehmet, Aris, Amelie, Martha, Enzo, Aya, Isabella, Yusuf
5B	Tiarah, Aykut, Shahnaz, Oscar, Arthur
5H	Ellis, Raphael, Aydin, Nana, Fred
6C	Reina, Naim, Rivka, Tristan T, Cecilia
6M	Ariyah, Alexander, Matilda C, Efe, Serin

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

### Super Achievers

Nursery	Buray and Zoe
Rec C	Khloe
Rec HM	Noah

### HT Award Certificates

1C	Aroz, Amos, Bobby, Lorcan, Mya
1S	Tomi, Mason, Alfie, Jae, Kiaan
2C	Tobi, Ada, Henry, Aalia, Arden
2L	Bella, Liya, Lily, Rafi, Areal
3E	Sumayyah, Leo, Violet, Esha, Calum
3L	Arwah, Emir, Rosie, Aalish, Sawyer
4E	Sammy, Neelam, Tiggy, Ezra, Olive
4M	Inayah, Eliza, Flossy, Bruno, Doga
5B	Pelle, Isaac, Leo L, Harry, Max
5H	Musa, Hector, Jack C, Jack S, Ed
6C	Sonny, Maeve, Estrella, Lyra, Kulsum
6M	Diya, Laura, Hope, Felix, Max

## PTFA Lottery



Congratulations to the lucky winners of the William Patten Lottery in the latest monthly draw:

1 <sup>st</sup>	£40	Karen Law (woop woop – she's VERY happy ☺)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£30	Alastair McLellan
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£20	Rachael Curtis

The lottery is a great way to help raise funds for the PTFA to support important school projects and at the same time you have a chance to win cash prizes.

# ★ HAPPY ★ BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to who celebrated their special day since the last Patten Pages: Kay, Sawyer, Esha, Ocean, Jamie, Daniel, Ismail, Emran, Ezra, Eugene, Ollie, Ryan, Marnie, Felix, Benedict, Fraser, Aalish, Grace, Neelam, Amy, Lucas, Nancy, Aras, Beatrix, Jude, Shaneeya, Eesa, Eva, Jeremiah, Hector, Teo, Harleen and Aster. Happy birthday to you all.



Well done to **5H** who are at the top of the chart this time for their excellent attendance with **96.1%**.

R Charlotte	93.5%	RHelen/Maria	95%
Y1 Cyrelle	93.9%	Y1 Sophie	95.1%
Y2 Christine	95.9%	Y2 Laura	95.5%
Y3 Ellen	94.5%	Y3 Luke	95.7%
Y4 Eric	93.7%	Y4 Marion	95.3%
Y5 Ben	94.9%	<b>Y5 Hannah</b>	<b>96.1%</b>
Y6 Claire	93.9%	Y6 Maya	91.8%

### May diary dates

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bank Holiday – no school
4 <sup>th</sup>	5B trip to the Barbican (LSO concert)
5 <sup>th</sup>	Eid party and assemblies World Maths Day
9 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Assessment Week
16 <sup>th</sup>	Walk to School Week
27 <sup>th</sup>	Break up for half term