

The Patten Pages

The William Patten Newsletter for Parents and Children

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Dear parents,

Welcome to the penultimate edition of the Patten Pages for this academic year. The weather was kind, less hot than recently, which is a good thing so we were able to go ahead with our two Sports Days this week. A huge thank you to Sammy and his team for leading the activities and ensuring, along with the staff and parents, that the children had a super time at Clissold Park. I asked lots of children if they had enjoyed themselves and the common reply was summed up by Theo H in 2L, who said that 'he was exhausted, but had had great fun!'. That's a good day out! The children (and parents) now know who their teacher is for next year and are looking forward to meeting them during our transition session next Thursday. We have two new teachers joining us in September – Sofia and Craig (we now have two Craigs and I am still working out how to define them!) and we are delighted they are joining the team next year. Craig is already working with us familiarising himself with the WP routines and getting to know our wonderful children and staff and Sofia will be visiting on the 12th July.

The whole school enjoyed celebrating Refugee Week last week and reading the pledges from the children stating what they are already and would do to support anyone who needed to leave their home was joyful. They demonstrated such kindness towards and empathy for others, all needed, terribly important and very reassuring.

The Summer Fair is this weekend and I do hope many of you will be able to come along and enjoy the day with us. It is our first Summer Fair since 2019, which seems such a long time ago. The PTFA have been working so hard behind the scenes to get everything ready for a super day. There will be lots for children and adults to enjoy including a barbecue, jumble stalls, craft activities and we have the welcome return of the WP Talent show and the infamous dunk tank, (which I aim to avoid at all costs!). The weather is looking sunny too! Hopefully I will see you at the fair, but if you have other plans for your weekend, enjoy whatever you do!

We would like to extend a huge thank you and farewell to Suzanne Barry, who is stepping down from the William Patten Governing Body after many, many years of loyal service. Suzanne's relationship with the school began as a parent when her children started Reception in 1996! She then joined the staff team working in Years 5 and 6, as the teacher and subject lead supporting Gifted and Talented children, as well as providing inspiration for school staff (and fashion tips, as she has such a fabulous sense of style ☺!). She then became a Governor and the Governing Body has benefited hugely from her knowledge, wisdom and experience. Incredibly supportive, dedicated and committed as a parent, teacher and Governor we are very sorry that she is leaving. Suzanne has witnessed many changes during her involvement with the school and has known three Headteachers, four Deputy Headteachers, over 150 teachers and support staff and even more children!) Wow!

As a teacher, her understanding of what it is like to work in a school and the rewards and challenges involved has allowed the Governing Body to have unique insight into the workings of our school. She has always been able to offer practical advice, find answers and offer support. She has never shied away from the role of Governors being critical friends of the school and has always offered challenge when needed.

Intelligent, knowledgeable, friendly, supportive, loyal, kind and funny, I would like to offer my own personal thanks to her. We have been very fortunate and privileged to have had Suzanne serve as a Governor and she will be hugely missed. Huge thanks to you Suzanne! Enjoy spending more time in Australia with your family and friends. Please do keep in touch. You have to! Remember once a part of WP, always a part of WP! ☺ ☺ ☺

Best wishes

Karen



Message from the Chair of Governors

We want to say a heartfelt thank you to Suzanne Barry who is stepping down from the Governing Body at the end of this academic year. Suzanne has been a part of William Patten since 1996 - first as a parent, then as a teacher and Governor. We are going to miss her knowledge and experience hugely, and are so very grateful for her commitment to the school over the last 26 years (whoop!). We wish her all the best and happiness for the future. Thank you, Suzanne! Carol Lees, on behalf of the Governing Body.

Refugee Week 2022



Last week, the whole school celebrated Refugee Week. It is an annual event that acknowledges the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees.

The theme for this year was **'Healing.'** We launched Refugee Week via our KS1 and KS2 Word of the Week assemblies, which introduced this year's theme to the children. During the week, each class learned how refugees from all over the world have made Hackney their home and how they have positively contributed to our community. Each class then discussed what we can do to help welcome newcomers to Hackney by writing pledges of support which we displayed around the school.



Refugee Week

In 6M this Refugee Week, we talked about what home meant to us, and created pledges and messages of support for those who have needed to leave their homes. We thought the little orange house was, symbolically, the perfect place to photograph our posters. Each one is a pledge or promise about how we will make (or are making) refugees feel welcome here.



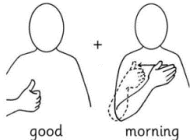
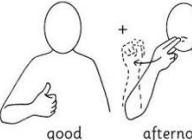
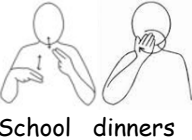
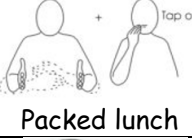

Language of the Month

As you will have seen on the news over the last few months, the people of Ukraine have had to leave their homes to seek refuge in other countries to feel safe. England has already welcomed nearly 54,000 Ukrainians and so it is important for our school community to show our support in any way that we can. Kyryl (6M) and Taisiia (5B) recently came to England and joined William Patten which is why **our new Language of the Month is Ukrainian.**

The Ukrainian language is an Eastern Slavic language and is a part of the Indo-European language family. Ukrainian is the second most spoken Slavic language and it is the official language of Ukraine. There are 37 million speakers in Ukraine and most of them are native speakers, all over the world there are more than 50 million Ukrainian speakers in total. The Ukrainian language is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world, and by the number of speakers, it is the 26th in the world. We were very lucky to have Kyryl and Taisiia to help Helen introduce Ukrainian as the new Language of the Month to all of the classes in a virtual whole school assembly. They gave excellent pronunciation examples and led the whole school practising Ukrainian greetings and phrases! During the assembly, the teachers and children were able to practise Ukrainian greetings that they are going to use in the morning and afternoon register. We will also continue to use the Makaton signs alongside the greetings.

Ukrainian words and phrases

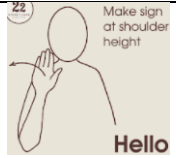
Have a go at saying some of these words or phrases:

Good morning - Dobroha ranku доброго ранку	 good morning
Good afternoon - Dobroho dnya доброго дня	 good afternoon
School dinners - Shkilnyee obid шкільний обід	 School dinners
Packed lunch - Lanch ланч	 Packed lunch
Please - Bood laska будь ласка	 Please

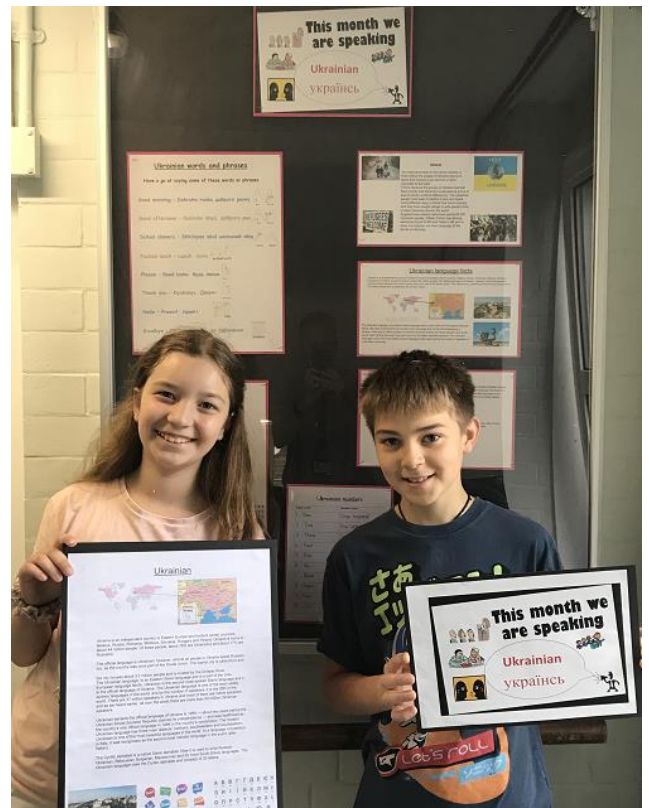
Thank you - Dyakooyu
Дякую



Hello - Preevit привіт



Goodbye - Do pobachenya
до побачення



About Language of the Month

Each half term and whenever we have a special event related to a worldwide location, the children learn greetings and key words from a chosen language. Throughout 'Language of the Month', children answer the register and use the vocabulary for school dinner and packed lunch from the target language. Each language is representative of the school community, and children who speak the language at home are involved in introducing it to the whole school. We are currently evaluating our international activities, to renew our International School Award from the British Council. We would welcome any comments about you think the benefits of this activity are to the children and community of William Patten. Please send your comments to the following address, with the email title 'LOTM' - admin@williampatten.hackney.sch.uk

Mary Wollstonecraft assemblies

Over the past few weeks, Years 5 and 6 were very busy preparing assemblies for the school on local human rights activist Mary Wollstonecraft. Both year groups learned who she was, what she did and why she is so important today. They then put what they had discovered into assembly for the rest of the school to enjoy. The children worked really hard to learn their lines and explained to the younger members of the school how our school values are shared with the views of Mary Wollstonecraft.



Sports Days 2022

Sports Days were a huge success this year. KS2 enjoyed a wonderful day at Clissold Park on Monday, followed by EYFS and KS1 on Tuesday. A big thank you to Sammy and his team for organising and running both days. They were enthusiastic, patient and encouraged everyone to do their best and have fun! The children thoroughly enjoyed all the activities and behaved beautifully. A big thank you to parents and carers for coming along to support the children too.





Jubilee Pageant Day

Children in 3E continue to be inspired by our Jubilee Pageant Day. For topic homework, they have created stunning portraits of Queen Elizabeth II which are brightening up the Middle Hall. They've created quite an impressive gallery, well done 3E!



Learning about Turkey

This week in Nursery, we have been continuing our work on "Journeys" and been learning about Turkey. We have enjoyed creating our own marbling patterns using inks and we made and ate hummus at snack time. We have also carefully created our own Nazar Boncuk charm (lucky eye) and we have enjoyed learning to count in Turkish and hearing familiar songs in Turkish such as the wheels on the bus.



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

Friday 24th June / Friday 1st July:

Super Achievers

Nursery	Arlo and Zakia Buray and Aela
Rec C	Lily Tommaso
Rec HM	Ali Owen and Casper

Friday 24th June:

HT Award Certificates

1C	Hafsa, Robbie, Evan, Georgina, Ellen
1YK	Defne, Khush, Sebastian, Rafe, Marcelo
2C	Grace, Theo, Tommy, Ebi, Aalia
2L	Roly, David, Joseph, Klara, Millie
3E	Amy, Thierry, Ares, Olivia, Violet
3L	Romy, Imogen, Serafina, Ben, Aalish
4E	Alex, Tino, Olive, Ilakya,
5B	Anna, Aras, Harry, Aisha, Chloe
5H	Xola, Erdem, Theo, Abdul, Jude
6C	Isabella, Josh, Lyra, Innes, Desiree
6M	Tilly, Kyril, Vika, Floris, Zumra

Final Teaching for Mastery Workgroup at William Patten

The final teaching for mastery workgroup took place at William Patten this week. Participating teachers from the schools we are supporting across the London North East Maths Hub came to observe a Y1 maths lesson on counting coins. The children successfully applied their knowledge of the cardinality of numbers (as well as counting in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s) to count different amounts of money. They then identified the different combinations of coins they could use to pay for different items. The children really enjoyed their lesson, working confidently and collaboratively. Our visitors also had many positive things to say about what they learned about the lesson they observed and how this will inform practice in their own schools, including –

- I enjoyed the practical side of the lesson where children were engaged and were given the opportunity to manipulate the concrete resources along with the pre-money tokens. This helped their understanding.
- (I learnt) the value of (using) pre-money tokens, the links between coins and multiplication, and the value of practical exchanges.
- (I will) continue using sentences with key vocabulary (and) create pre-money tokens to support children with understanding the value of each coin.
- (I will) feedback to (our own) year 1 teachers

Feedback on the programme of support that William Patten has offered, has also been extremely positive, and the below is a representative example -

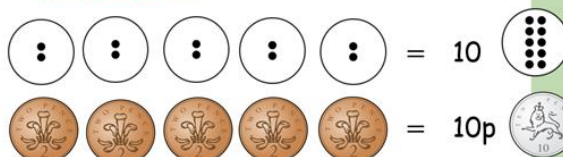
- I wanted to express my gratitude for all your support this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed all of the workgroups I have attended. My knowledge of the mastery approach has grown exponentially, as a result of (these) workshops. The value of seeing lessons in action can't be underestimated and I do understand all the work that goes into that and the generosity of sharing your practice with others.

The school will continue to be a Teaching for Mastery specialist school next year, and will continue its work to support other schools in developing their own teaching of maths according to recognised best practices. As a result, we will also continue to benefit from the expertise of the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM), who are working closely with as part of the national Maths Hubs initiative.

Counting coins

Count the pre-money tokens with me.

- From the pot of tokens you have in front of you, can you find one that shows the same amount?



- How many 2s do we have?
- From the pot on your tables, can you find five 2p coins? (5 x 2p)
- Can you exchange your 5 x 2p, for one coin that's worth the same amount?

"2 pence, 5 times, is the same as ____ pence".
"Five 2 pence coins is the same as one ____ pence coin".

Each week we introduce a new **Tool of the Week** and **Game of the Week**. 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:


ZONES TOOL OF THE WEEK
20.6.22



The **ZONES** of Regulation®

GAME OF THE WEEK
20.6.22

Sevens



ZONES TOOL OF THE WEEK
27.6.22



The **ZONES** of Regulation®

GAME OF THE WEEK
27.6.22

The Ogre's Castle



Hackney Libraries Summer Reading Challenge



The Reading Agency are again running the Summer reading challenge this year and this is a great way to enthuse your children to read over the summer. There is a science theme this year but essentially the scheme asks children to read any books or ebooks over the summer, recording them on their chart from the library or online in return for a certificate at the end. You can follow Hackney Libraries on twitter on [@Hackneylibs](#) and facebook [@HackneyLibraries](#).

★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to who recently celebrated their special day: Eli, Arlo, Taisiia, Elise, Thierry, Jack, Marla, Sadie, Iris, Lochie, Ishaq, Jae and Poppy. We hope you enjoyed your special day!



Well done to **4E** who are at the top of the chart this time for their excellent attendance with **96.7%**

R Charlotte	93.6%	RHelen/Maria	94.9%
Y1 Cyrelle	94.4%	Y1Yeter/Kate	95.2%
Y2 Christine	95.7%	Y2 Laura	95.4%
Y3 Ellen	94.3%	Y3 Luke	95.5%
Y4 Eric	96.7%	Y4 Marion	95.6%
Y5 Ben	95.6%	Y5 Hannah	96.1%
Y6 Claire	94.3%	Y6 Maya	92.9%

