

The Patten Pages

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Dear parents,

I have said it before, but I am going to say it again, what a busy two weeks we have had at school! You can see in this edition of the Patten Pages what we have been getting up to. There have been so many highlights; including both Reception classes, the hip hop club, the steel pan groups and choir performing at the Round Chapel as part of the Hackney Music Festival. The performances were super and the children were both brave and confident in front of such a large audience. It was lovely to share the experience with families too.

We also had both KS1 and KS2 Sports Days with the children having a lovely day out at Clissold Park. I know that Nursery are looking forward to their water themed Sports Day next week!

Last week, WP hosted an event for other Hackney Schools interested in applying for the Eco-School Programme – which leads to receiving the internationally recognised Green Flag Award. Our Year 2 and Year 6 Eco Team members presented the work they had done to the visitors, including the RSPB Big Bird Watch and planting in the roof garden and did so with confidence. Both Kelly, who runs the Hackney Eco Schools programme, Laura, our Eco Team lead and myself were mightily impressed with their presentation and very proud. They were excellent ambassadors for WP.

We had the brilliant WP Summer Fair last Saturday, which had record breaking crowds and in traditional WP style, was a team effort both behind the scenes and on the day, to make the event such a success. A huge thank you to all parents who helped in the run up to and on the big day! So much hard work goes on to bring an event like this together. The sun was shining and we had so many lovely activities, lots to buy and delicious food to eat. Without Team WP, it wouldn't happen. You are brilliant. Extra special thanks to Evan, Jason, Rob and Jonathan, our PTFA lead crew! Special thanks also to David and Jon, roadies, sound system experts and furniture movers extraordinaire! Thank you to the office team, Rita, Carole, Jane and Wendy for all assistance and comms! Thank you to everyone who joined us on the day! Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes
Karen

Summer Fair 2023

Such a fantastic day on Saturday at the Summer Fair. There was something going on everywhere you looked! The dunk tank, candlyfloss, WP T-shirts and bags (always so cool!) the BBQ Kings and Queens, face painting, craft stalls, jumble stalls, the plant stall and glitter tattoos! The wonderful Talent Show was a joy. Thank you to everyone who supported the event. It was lovely to see lots of ex-WP children and families there, as well as our soon to be WP families too ☺





Pizza making at the Garden Classroom

Year 2 visited the Garden Classroom in Dalston this week. Our trip linked with our Science topic - Plants, and our D&T topic - making a savoury product; we even used a bit of our Maths measuring skills. We followed a recipe to make our own pizza dough. We first had to measure out the ingredients, and then mix and knead the dough. While the dough was set aside to rise, we went into the garden to pick herbs for our pizza topping. Siri then taught us how to carefully cut the vegetable toppings with a sharp knife. By that time the dough had risen enough for us to use rolling pins to roll out our dough, arrange our toppings and finally they were ready for the oven. Yum! We learnt so much today and thoroughly enjoyed eating our pizza!



Sports Days 2023

What a fantastic time we had at KS1 and KS2 Sports Days! The weather was warm, children were happy and the support from parents was fantastic! The children showed great skill and positivity in the wide range of activities on show. A massive thank you to Badu for organising these events. Sports Days are always a great opportunity for pupils, different year groups and parents to come together. This year was no different. Thank you to everyone involved in both days!

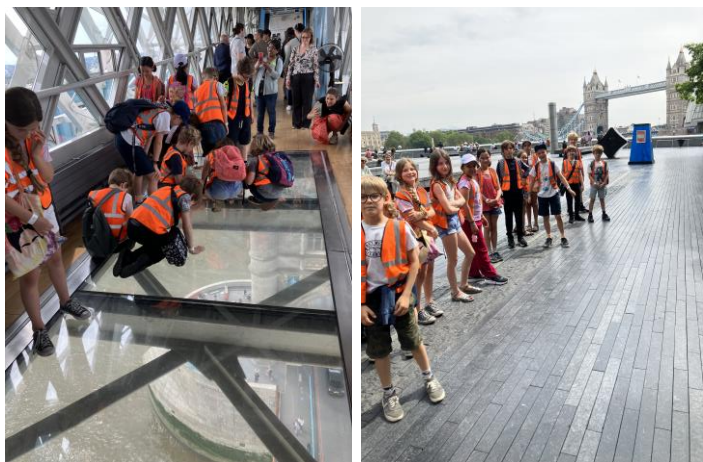




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Year 5 trip to Tower Bridge

Year 5 absolutely loved their trip to Tower Bridge. This iconic landmark offered them a fantastic adventure they'll never forget. Throughout the day, the students got the opportunity to appreciate the bridge's jaw-dropping architecture. With its towering turrets and cool glass floors, Year 5 couldn't help but feel amazed. During our trip, we also visited the Tower Bridge classroom, where we put our bridge building skills to the test. We also appreciated its history by exploring the Victorian Engine Rooms. We even got to touch the old machinery and experience what it was like back in the day. It was like stepping into a time machine! Well done to all pupils who demonstrated impeccable behaviour throughout the trip and for our very generous volunteers. What a well-deserved treat after a fantastic academic year.



Concert at the Round Chapel

Our wonderful Reception classes performed at the Round Chapel last Friday as part of the Hackney Music Festival. Excellent singing, excellent behaviour. You were FABULOUS !!



Performing at the Round Chapel

The fantastic hip hop dance troupe and their wonderful teacher Jas performed at the Round Chapel as part of the Hackney Music Festival. They were fantastic ambassadors for WP and their dancing was fantastic!



Letters to Madrid

To our friends at our partner school in Madrid (who we know also like to read the Patten Pages) - our letters are on the way! We have sent them in two envelopes, as they wouldn't fit into one! We hope you like reading our letters as much as we enjoyed those that your children wrote in English. We have used the Spanish we have been learning this year to tell you about a range of topics, including our likes and dislikes, as well as hobbies and interests. It was lovely to see you all on Hispanic day during our video calls and we wish you a happy end of term and an enjoyable summer.

From all of your friends at William Patten x



Eid Mubarak

Eid Mubarak to all our families who celebrated Eid on 28th June. Reception children enjoyed a range of activities to celebrate the day including decorating hands with henna.



Year 6 end of year trip

One of the highlights of the Year 6 calendar is our trip to Leaside Boat Club. A great time was had by all, as the children learned how to: paddle board, kayak, and canoe. The weather even managed to stay dry (most of the time!) We had a brilliant time both in and out of the water! We would like to say a massive thank you to the parent helpers who accompanied us on the trip, as without your support it would not be possible to have such an unforgettable day out. What a wonderful way to help round off the year. There will be more to follow next week when we visit The Hackney School of Food....



Y6 enjoyed their clayhead art workshops with Sian this week and made stunning sculptures.



Lead Eco School in Hackney

We had the absolute pleasure of hosting an Eco School event here at William Patten. It was an honour to invite local schools along to see all the amazing work the Eco Team do, and what a strong whole school approach we have to promoting environment and sustainability issues. To be named a lead Eco School in Hackney was the ultimate accolade and one the children and staff are all very proud of! The guests spoke incredibly highly about our lovely raised bed growing spaces and how lucky the children are to be able to use these as an outdoor classroom. A huge thank you goes to Kelly, the Environment and Sustainability officer at Hackney council who works closely with the school to help run the event, but also to the stars of the show – Marnie 6B, Hector 6B, Eugene 2L and Anna 2L, who are past and present Eco Team members. Marnie and Hector spoke eloquently about how their past role on the Eco Team has benefited them in all areas of their work, and they chose to speak about their trip to the Olympic Stadium where they were part of a live recording of Gardener's Question Time, which aired last year. Eugene and Anna were keen to show the visitors the roof garden and all of the things that are growing there at the moment. A final thank you goes to the current Y6

Eco Team members, Ibrahim 6M, Tiarah 6M, Harry 6M, Theo G 6B, Haleema 6B and Jude 6B, who kindly took our visitors all the way up to the art studio for the presentation and tour. All the children involved in the day were happy, friendly, chatty and a credit to WP!



Learning about Turkey

This week in Nursery, we have been learning about Turkey. We have been finding out about places and landmarks in Turkey, we have been learning to count to 10 in Turkish and we enjoyed making our own lucky eye to hang up at home to bring us good luck. To end our week, we will be making hummus to eat with Turkish bread as a snack!



Nursery completed our week learning about Turkey by making hummus. We worked hard to crush the chick peas which really built up our muscles in our hands and arms. We then had our hummus with bread, cucumber, bread sticks and yellow pepper as our snack in the morning and afternoon.



Learning about the Windrush generation

Year 3 ventured out to Hackney Museum last week where we solidified our learning about the Windrush generation. We had a fantastic time and learned lots, all whilst behaving beautifully. Well done and thank you to everyone involved!



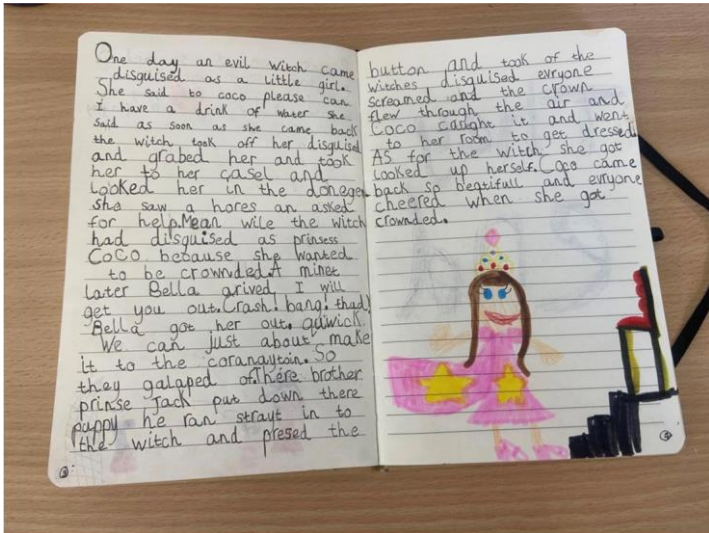
Stunning artwork!

Year 1 have been learning about Van Gogh in their Art topic. The children created their own versions of The Starry Night, using oil pastels and watercolours.

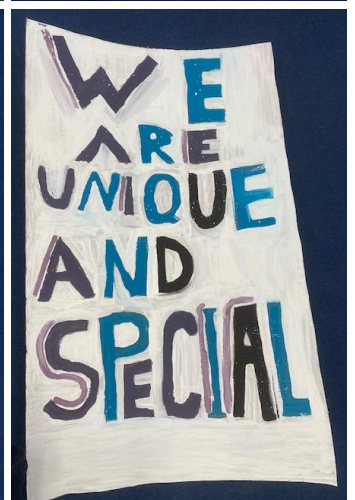
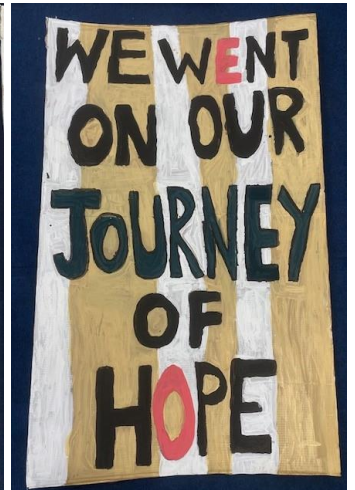
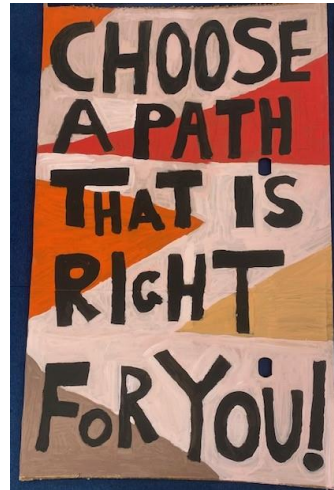


Incredible Year 1 writing!

Karen was blown away by Matilda's writing this week! "Are you sure you're only in Year 1?! I was mightily impressed with all the features you included in your work. You had listened so carefully to your teacher in the lesson and then at home wrote this masterpiece. You incorporated alliteration with *Crash! Bang! Thud!*, you used words ending in "ed", you used interesting words such as gallop. Wow! To round it all off, your illustrations were so carefully drawn and matched different parts of the story beautifully. Thank you so much for sharing. I know your teacher and your class really enjoyed listening to you read the story to them. Fabulous writing".



This term Sian and Sarah (Place2Be) have been running an intervention for a group of children in KS2. This was to help them cope with everyday emotions, to manage life's ups and downs and to develop a sense of trust to promote positive and healthy relationships, through teamwork, games, art and music. The final session was a big piece of art, a culmination of the key phrases the children chose to best represent our journey together. Here are some pictures of their lovely work!



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BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to who celebrated their special day since the last Patten Pages: Jack, Marla, Sadie, Iris, Malachi, Josiah, Lochie, Ishaq, Jae, Poppy, Dusty, Yusuf, Erdem, Nova, Buray, Aidan, Eloise and Lily. Happy birthday to you all. We hope you all had a wonderful day!

Headteacher's tea parties

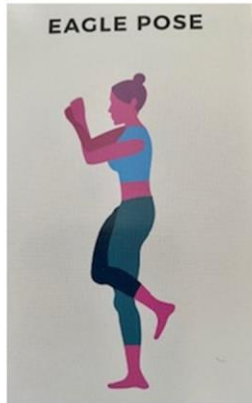
There has been a record number of children invited to a special tea party with Karen in the last few weeks. We are very proud of all of you for receiving the magic 5 nominations!



Tool of the Week

Every week we introduce a new **Tool of the Week**. Each class practises the new tool and discusses which zone it would be useful for. Here are the latest:

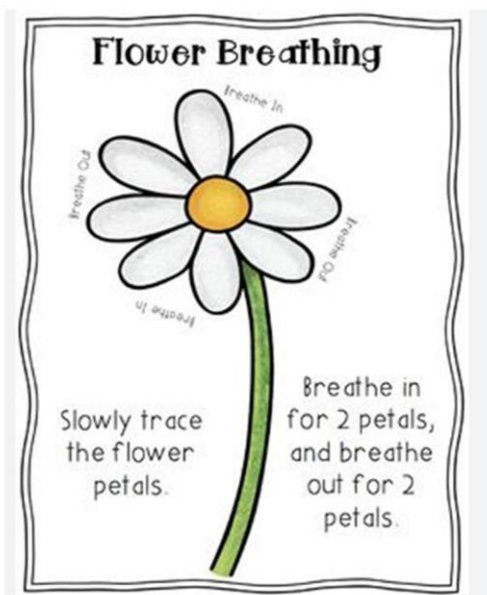
ZONES TOOL OF THE WEEK 26.6.23



Extend your arms at the shoulders. Cross your elbows and place one on top, bringing your wrists and hands closer together above your elbows. If you feel steady, lift one leg up and over the other. Soar back to standing and repeat on the other side.

The **ZONES** of Regulation®

ZONES TOOL OF THE WEEK 3.7.23



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Amazing tie dye!

Nature Club children enjoyed making natural dye from blueberries and then tie dyeing some little cotton bags this week. They tied rubber bands around their bags, dipped them in the dye for half an hour and then revealed their works of natural art, each with a unique design!



Congratulations to the latest group of children to receive an EYFS Super Achievers award and to those who received a HT Award certificate. Well done everyone 😊.

Friday 30th June

Super Achievers

Nursery	Cherry and Julia
Rec C	Arlo
Rec YM	Misher

HT Award Certificates

1H	Deniz, Odhran, Simay, Wilfred K, Wilfred M
1S	Aylin, Felix, Matilda L, Nancy, Luqman
2C	Arzu, Clara, Kaan, Milla T, Hafsa
2L	Max, Ada, Aroz, Flora, Khush

***No KS2 HTA for this week due to Sports Day**

Super Achievers and HTA for w/e 7th July will be in the next Patten Pages, due to the strike, they will be given to the children during assembly on Monday.

Football news

Over the past few weeks we played 3 matches against Betty Layward. We took players from Years 4, 5 and 6. It was great to take players who have never experienced playing matches before, they had a brilliant time! We have probably played BL more often than any other school so these matches have become like derbies (in a good friendly way) and this year was no exception. After the first match they had the advantage, all the matches were played in 15 minute sections and they won 9-5. We had a lot of work to do in the second match but I had no doubt we could get back in it and we duly triumphed 8-3. The scene was set for the final match and it didn't disappoint - the game ended 4-4. Both schools gave it their all, lots of children were given the chance to compete and in the end it was another example of what both schools do well. **Brian Bramble – WP football coach**



Attendance Chart



Luke's class are at the top of the attendance chart this time with a score of **96.9%**. Well done **3L!**

RCharlotte	93.5%	RYeter/Maria	95.6%
Y1 Helen	95.2%	Y1 Sofia	95.5%
Y2 Christine	96%	Y2 Laura	95.3%
Y3 Ihssan/Craig	96.4%	Y3 Luke	96.9%
Y4 Craig	95.3%	Y4 Marion	95.4%
Y5 Claire	95.1%	Y5 Eric	96.2%
Y6 Ben	95.9%	Y6 Maya	96.1%

A very big welcome back to Akbar, Finn and Kit, all ex-WP pupils who are completing their Year 10 work experience. We are delighted to have you and it is so lovely to see you (you are much taller than we remember!) You have worked incredibly hard all week and have demonstrated lovely manners and shown such kindness and care towards our children. What super role models you are. Thank you. Once a part of WP, always a part of WP!

