

The Patten Pages

The William Patten Newsletter for Parents and Children

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Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear parents,

Welcome back after half term. As with Spring 1, this is also a short term with just under six weeks until Easter. We have an incredibly busy schedule ahead with many trips and events planned, with Big Arts Day taking place today with a focus on LGBTQ+ artists and World Book Day, International Women's Day and Red Nose Day to look forward to.

Once again, I would like to extend my thanks to Dingding (Muyi Year 6), Sel (Ellen Year 3), Brayden and Fen for their wonderful contribution to our Chinese New Year celebrations before half term. It was so lovely to welcome parents and friends into school and the children loved their food! Thank you! We have also had other parents volunteering to come and speak to classes about their careers, for example in relation to the Year 3 trip to the Bank of England, as part of our IWD celebrations. If you would like to come into school to talk about your work or to work with a group of children on a project, please do let us know. You would be very welcome.

We have been overwhelmed and delighted with the response to our plans to make the roof space into the Benjamin Zephaniah Poetry Garden. Your offers of support with signage, practical offers of planting and financial contributions for materials have been terribly generous. We are very excited and are looking forward to transforming the space with plants grown by the children and the lovely decorated pots they have made. Benjamin Zephaniah wanted poetry to be accessible for everyone, and we are looking forward to honouring his memory with performances from the children on World Book Day.

We are pleased to be supporting the Hackney Baby Bank, which provides help and essential needs to women and children who are victims of domestic

violence, abuse or who are newly arrived and seeking refuge. There will be a Donation Basket at WP and we would request parents to donate the items listed on the flyer. To help with efficiency, we ask that clothes are clean and in good condition. Please leave in the Donation Basket at the school office. The Donation Basket will be available from today, Friday 23rd February to Friday 8th March. If you would prefer, you can purchase items from the baby bank's Amazon Wishlist here <https://linktr.ee/e5babybank>. Thank you for your support.

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Karen

HACKNEY CHILDREN & BABY BANK

Over the past three years, Hackney Children and Baby Bank have assisted more than 3000 families with essential items, including clothes, baby equipment, toys, books, and food, all generously donated by the local community.



DONATION DRIVE AT : William Patten School

WHEN : Friday 23rd February – Friday 8th March

WHAT'S NEEDED: CHILDRENS CLOTHES 3-12 YEAR

Please consider donating any gently used, clean clothes with no rips or tears, if possible sorted and labelled by age. Thank you

www.hackneybabybank.org. Charity number: 1192509

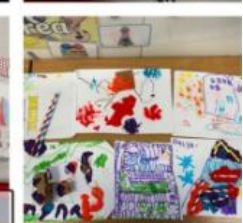
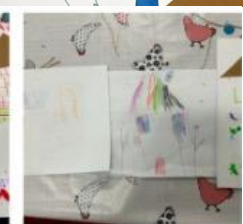
Chinese New Year 2024

A huge thank you to Ding Ding (Muyi's mum), Selwyn (Ellen's mum), Brayden and Fen, who prepared fresh vegetable dumplings for the whole school, as part of our Chinese New Year celebrations! The best dumplings ever was the whole school verdict. They were absolutely delicious. Thank you so much all of your hard work, preparing the vegetables and hand making them. A very big thank you also to Ali and his fab team for the other delicious dishes on the menu.



RIBA Reception final workshop 02.02.24

In the previous edition of the Patten Pages we explained that Reception children enjoyed taking part in a RIBA workshop where they designed a house using a range of materials, inspired by the traditional tale The Three Little Pigs. We were unable to include images of children's final pieces of work, as the Patten Pages were written before the workshop ended. So here are a few examples of children's final outcomes. Wow, such wonderful designs and detailed work!



West End in Schools Little Red Riding Hood Workshops

Nursery and Reception children had a wonderful start to the half-term when they took part in a West End in Schools workshop, where children retold the story of the Little Red Riding Hood, acted out the behaviours of the main characters in the story and performed a soundscape of Little Red Riding Hood's journey through the forest. We were really impressed by the children's engagement with all the activities and also their boundless imaginations.



Little hedgehogs!

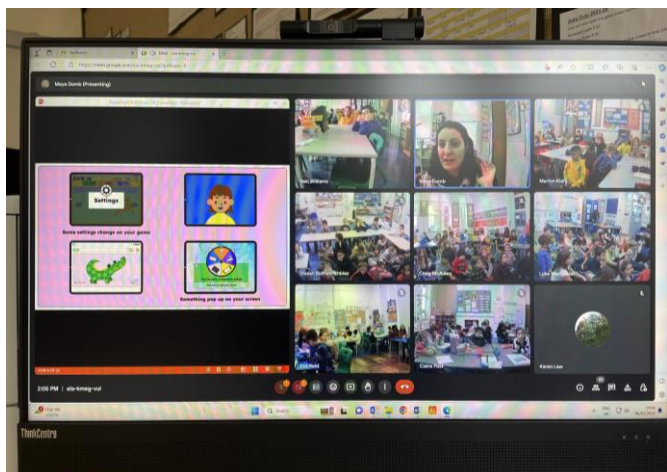


Huge congratulations to Billy, our Specialist Inclusion TA, who married his partner Bev during the half term! (Bev used to work at WP too, as a Music teacher). They got married at Hackney Town Hall and have plans for a big celebration during the Easter holiday. We would like to wish them every happiness and much joy in their new life together. Congratulations Billy and Bev from all your colleagues!



Safer Internet Day

Thank you Maya for leading our Safer Internet Day assemblies for EYFS / KS1 and KS2. Looking at how technology has changed and how to manage change online, the children offered thoughtful and well informed answers to the questions Maya asked. We were very pleased to see that the children knew that if they did not feel sure on the Internet they were to get an adult to help and they should definitely not share personal details online.



New African Dance and Drumming club starting!

It was so lovely to welcome Kasper (Misher's dad) and Felix to WP on Wednesday afternoon. They will be offering an after school African Dance and Drumming club. We are very excited! It is open to children in Years 2, 3 and 4. Details will be emailed to parents very soon. The children thoroughly enjoyed the taster session and picked up the moves so quickly. Very impressive. A huge thank you to both Kasper and Felix for their demonstration and for also teaching 150 children a new dance in a short space of time. Mightily impressed!! An uplifting and energising start to the afternoon!



Traditional Tales Story in a Shoebox

As part of our traditional tales topic, we asked Nursery and Reception children to select their favourite story and then create a Story in a Shoebox to represent the story. Children completed this work at home and then brought their finished boxes into school. It was wonderful to listen to children explain their Story in a Shoebox design, the materials they used and then to retell part of these familiar tales. These shoeboxes are now on display throughout the school and have caused many 'awe and wonder' moments as children and adults move around the school. Here are a few examples of children's wonderful work.



In Nursery, we planted runner beans seeds when we were looking at Jack and the beanstalk in early January as part of our work on traditional tales. We have been watering our seeds regularly and we put them up on the top of the radiator to get sunlight. We were really excited to take them home today! I wonder if any plants will grow as tall as Jack's beanstalk in the story!



PTFA update

Hi everyone,

We hope you all had a nice half term break and went somewhere warm!

The calendar for the PTFA events has been finalised in conjunction with Karen.

Here are the dates:

- **7th March** - Quiz night at the school. Tables cost £50. Put together tables of 10 consisting of other parents from WP or parents/friends you know from the community. Joe is a professional quiz man and makes a great night of it. It's a lot of fun. Please email the PTFA williampattenptfa@gmail.com with table purchases and please let us know if you would like dinner options on the night (to help us not over cater).
- **22nd March** - Easter movie night @ the school (Peter Rabbit) for children.
- **7th June** - Bingo with Major Auction night.
- **13th July** - Summer fair.

Remember to please email the PTFA

williampattenptfa@gmail.com asap with table numbers and food requirements for Quiz Night and we look forward to seeing you all at our first 2024 event.

Thank you,

PTFA committee

Parent Workshop

Tuesday
March 12th, 2024
2:00 - 3:00
In: Art Studio
Led by Helen McNulty
(SEND Governor) and
Caitlin Shaw SENCo

Meeting the needs of children with SEND

(Special Educational Needs and Disabilities)
at William Patten

The workshop will include a presentation delivered by Helen McNulty, a Q&A session and an opportunity to meet some other members of the Inclusion Team. If you have a question in mind, it would be really helpful to email it to us beforehand. Other questions will of course be welcome on the day. You can either send it directly to Caitlin, chsaw@williampatten.hackney.sch.uk or to admin admin@williampatten.hackney.sch.uk

Please bear in mind that we won't be able to answer questions about individual children during the group Q&A session, but the last 20 minutes will be an opportunity for you to circulate, talk to other members of the Inclusion team and also to other parents. Helen and I will be available during that time to answer individual queries.





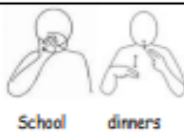
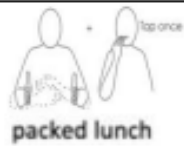


SEE YOU THERE!

Our new Language of the Month is Slovak!

We have one Slovak speaking child at William Patten (Sebastian in 2C) and he was very brave and joined Helen in the virtual whole school assembly to introduce Slovak as the new Language of the Month. During the assembly, all of the classes learnt facts about Slovakia like that it is a small nation with a rich cultural heritage, located in the Carpathian Mountains of central Europe. During most of the 1900s, Slovakia formed the southeastern province of the country of Czechoslovakia. In 1993 Slovakia became an independent nation after separating from the Czech Republic. Slovakia's capital is Bratislava. Slovakia is bordered by Poland to the north, Ukraine to the east, Hungary to the south, and Austria to the southwest. Its former federal partner, the Czech Republic, lies to the west. Slovak is the language spoken in Slovakia and is spoken by more than more than 5 million people around the world. It is a Slavic language which is a group of languages that include Russian, Polish and many other East European languages. It is very similar to Czech, and Czechs and Slovaks can understand one another quite well when speaking their own language. Slovak is written using the Latin alphabet, but there are some letters which have special signs called "diacritics". The letters č, š, ž and dž are like the English sounds in *chin*, *shin*, *vision* and *juice*. The letters d', l', ň, and t' are called soft consonants. Signs over a vowel show that the vowel is pronounced long: á, é, í, ó, ý ú. The ô is like English wombat, and ä is the same as the letter e. Ch is like *ch* in Scottish *loch*. V is more like English *w*. Like in Spanish, Slovak has masculine and feminine words but they also have words that are neutral. Why don't you have a go at using the Slovak greetings and phrases at home!

Slovak words and phrases

Have a go at saying some of these words or phrases

Hello - Ahoj	 Hello
Good bye - Zbohom	 Goodbye
Good morning - Dobré ráno	 good morning
Good afternoon - Dobrý deň	 good afternoon
School dinners - Školský obed	 School dinners
Packed lunch - Obedár	 packed lunch
Please - Prosím	 Please
Thank you - Ďakujem	 thank you

★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to those who have celebrated their special day since the last Patten Pages:

Emmy, Odhran, Pip, Israh, Max, Theodore, Tiggy, Liyat, Audrey, Amina, Keon, Flora, Grace, Alex, Sienna, Taha, Kimarla, Anna, Oliva, Wilfred, Muyi, Nisa, Theo, Aroz and Arzu. We hope you all enjoyed your special day!

Designing a vehicle

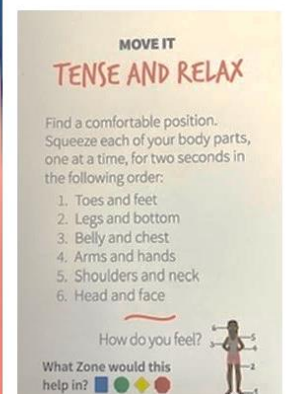
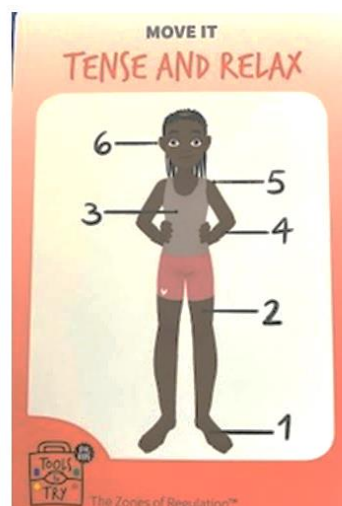
Last week Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed their D&T : Mechanisms (Moving Vehicles) lessons. Developing their skills working with a partner from planning and designing their vehicle; to constructing the body of their vehicle and working with masking tape; to problem solving how to attach axles and wheels to the chassis of their vehicle; and finally decorating it. Everyone was really pleased with their final product! Well done Year 2!



Tool of the Week

Each week we introduce a new 'Tool of the Week'. Posters go up around school and each class practises the new tool and discusses which zone it would be useful for. We include the tools in the Patten Pages so you can try them out at home.

ZONES TOOL OF THE WEEK 19.2.24



The **ZONES** of Regulation®

The very first HT Tea Party of the Year!

Many congratulations to the first group of children who achieved the magic five nominations. We had great fun this afternoon and my guests were delightful company! We remembered how to balance the glasses on our heads and how to say glass properly with a short a. We practised catching our biscuits, played Biscuit Jenga, tried a new game (might need a bit more work on that one!) and definitely remembered how to eat lots of chocolate! Thank you everyone for coming and a very big well done. You should be very proud of yourself. I am very proud of you. Hope you enjoyed sharing your goodies with your friends and family.



Congratulations to the latest children to receive an EYFS Super Achievers award or a HT Award certificate from their teacher or Karen. Well done everyone!

Friday 9th February

Super Achievers

Nursery	Grace and Sebastian
Rec C	Zadie
Rec MA	Paul

HT Award Certificates

1H	Yaqub, Taedon, Arlo, Musa, Cedric
1S	Lake, Buray, Rocky, Isla, Paloma
2C	Margot, Fraser, Odhran, Kiran, Tommaso
2M	Eesa, Frankie, Sumayyah, Aylin, Thiago
3IC	Felix, Evan, Kiaan, Frida, Sebastian
3L	Bobby, Huxley, Alicja, Henry, Jack D
4C	Sufyan, Margot, Arabella, Lily, Ronan
4M	Lochie, Tommy, Amaiyah, Elizabeth, Tobi
5C	Melissa, Barin, Aminah, Maria, Rosie
5E	Destiny, Tais, Dusty, Nathan
6M	Alex, Muiy, Yusuf, Jonathan, Flossy
6B	Tiggy, Max, Theo, Kimarla

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Super Achievers

Nursery	Cody and Rishi
Rec C	Isla
Rec MA	Agnes

HT Award Certificates

1H	Zoe, Joey, Eren, Callum, Taklit, Violet, Martha, Iris (from Karen)
1S	Ruben, Sienna, Jack, Noah, Marty
2C	Simay, Bella, Fraser, Tommaso, Wilfred K, Eva, Isabelle (from Karen)
2M	Dolly, Ran, Vittoria, Luqman, Felix
3IC	Ada, Eddy, Ida, Zaynah, Isabelle
3L	Elijah, Kaan, Huxley, Marcelo, Honor
4C	Sufyan, Kerim, Eli, Patrick
4M	Hamza, Ollie, Ebi, Fatima, Dash
5C	Isa, Serafina, Yusuf, Romy, Falcon
5E	Sumayyah, Dusty, Zep, Aras, Emmy
6M	Jonah, Leyla, Bruno, Muiy, Martha
6B	Benny, Kimarla, Bethel, Harleen, Tino

KS2 Art Club explored abstract sculptures using paper art straws and paper tape. Imagine them as maquettes for giant steel sculptures! Wonderful.



Congratulations to the new winners of our attendance chart this fortnight. A brilliant 96.9% attendance for **1S!** Who will it be next time?

RCharlotte	95.2%	RMaria/Asima	95.7%
Y1 Helen	95.6%	Y1 Sofia	96.9%
Y2 Christine	96.8%	Y2 Molly	96.7%
Y3 Ihssan/Craig	95.9%	Y3 Luke	96.7%
Y4 Craig	96.2%	Y4 Marion	95.2%
Y5 Claire	96.7%	Y5 Eva	95.9%
Y6 Ben	95.8%	Y6 Maya	96.7%

The Art Imaginarium Easter Holiday Camp

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Upcoming dates for your diary

Feb:

26 th	KS2 Urban Strides dance workshops
27 th	5C visit to St Anne's
28 th	3IC trip to the Bank of England Museum

March:

1 st	Women's History Month starts Y5 RIBA workshop
6 th	Y3 Come Dine with Us
7 th	World Book Day PTFA Quiz Night
8 th	3L trip to the Bank of England Museum International Women's Day
12 th	4M trip to the Bank of England Museum
14 th	St Patrick's Day assembly 4C trip to the Bank of England Museum
15 th	Red Nose Day