



William Austin Wizards

South America	Hashim	Sara
Asia	Fatima	Affan
Europe	Asmiya	Yusuf
Africa	Zainab	Tahmid
North America	Khalil	Filzah
Van Gogh	Salman	Aamilah
Picasso	Amaan	Zain
Monet	Risha	Mustafa
O'Keeffe	Yasir	Aliza
Hepworth	Ayesha	Subhan
Mars	Hasan	Sophia
Venus	Snia	Hanna
Neptune	Deen	Naima
Jupiter	Ishaq	Hannah
Saturn	Nimra	Fatima
Goodall	Rumasa	Taheem
Curie	Armghan	Aatikah
Newton	Somaya	Yahya
Hawking	Amaan	Ruqayya
Einstein	Yusuf	Maryam

Dear families

Welcome to this week's edition of Junior News Express.

Welcome back to school and may I wish you all a Happy New Year.

I have been really impressed with some of the holiday homework that the children have brought in. Some of the winter themed boxes are on display in the hall and really show the effort that went into creating them.

Y5 turned our hall into Hogwarts this week for a Harry Potter inspired English topic. They have started planning their adventure stories for this unit of work and I can't wait to read their finished work.

Y4 pupils will be going on a visit to Hazard Alley in Milton Keynes over the next few weeks. They will be learning about keeping safe in a variety of different scenarios. Later on in our newsletter you can read about one class who visited earlier this week.

Thank you for responding so well to the text messages and letters we have been sending out regarding diner money debt. Currently the debt is around £900 which is far less than it was. We are going to keep working hard to reduce this debt, so please ensure that you have paid for school dinners in advance and that if your child no longer has school dinners (they now have a packed lunch), then please also clear the debt for all meals taken. Dinner money is £10 per week. If you are having difficulty in topping up your account, then please come into school and talk to the Family Workers who will be able to help you.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Adams



Book Fair

Top 5 Library Loan

- 1 - 78 Storey Tree House by Andy Griffiths
- 2 - Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney
- 3 - Dogman - A Tale of Two Kitties by Dav Pilkey
- 4 - Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Double Down by Jeff Kinney
- 5 - Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Hard Luck by Jeff Kinney



Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:

Venus
96.8%



Cool Website

Ever seen natgeokids.com/uk/ ?

The National Geographic is an organisation which provide lots of interesting facts and details about things that you wouldn't normally consider and their kids pages are perfect for boosting your understanding about some of the more fascinating things in our world. You're guaranteed to find at least one thing there that blows your mind!

Upcoming Events:

- 18th January - Hazard Alley Trip-Picasso
- 22nd January - Hazard Alley Trip-Hepworth & Van Gogh
- 25th January - Roman Day- Year 3

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Dear Families,

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year. We hope you have had quality time with your family during the holidays.

Dates for your diaries

Crochet and Coffee Morning Monday 9:00am—10:00am. All welcome. We have a lovely lady from our community who will be joining us to teach our families how to crochet.

Pilates classes have started at the Family Centre on Wednesday mornings 9:30am —10:30am £2 (less than 8 people £3) Come along. Please tell all your family members and friends to help keep the cost to £2 per session.

Other courses:

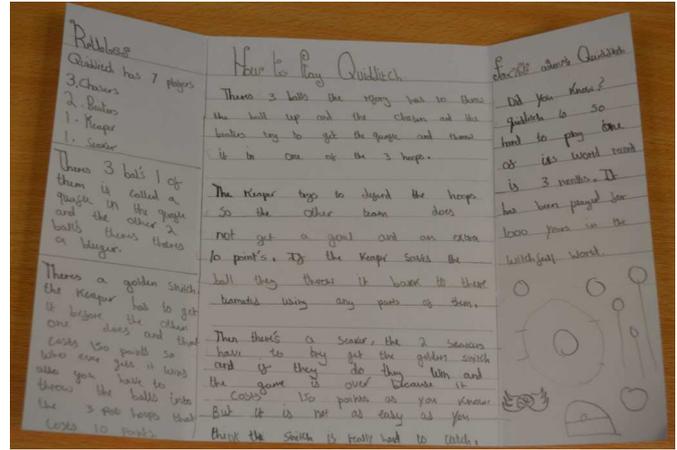
- Free ICT for Beginners course —starting on Tuesday 23rd January at 2:00pm-3:15pm for 6 weeks
- Mehndi/Hairstyling for 5 weeks for £15 on Thursday mornings at 9:15am—11:15am. Starting date to be confirmed.

Interested ?... Call us at the Family Centre 01582 509121 or pop in, the door is always open.

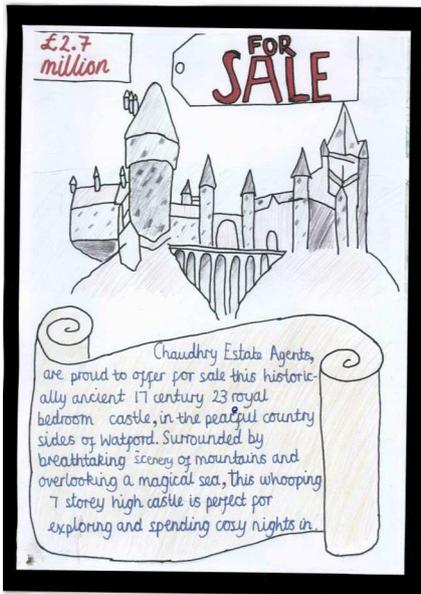




Emma (Africa)



Naima (Neptune)



Zulaykha (Hawking)



Aamilah (Van Gogh)

William Austin Junior Choir goes to the Airport

Our choir has rehearsed since September. We have practised many songs with Mrs Taggart and Mrs Rose and have sung in events, like the harvest festival and the Mulberry care Home. At Luton Airport, we sang twelve Christmas songs. We were raising money for Keech House. We had lots of fun singing the songs. The children all had Christmas hats and it was awesome! The people who were walking past were giving us money in our collection bucket. Some sang along with us. We also met an airline pilot who was wearing a flying badge. He bought mince pies for the teachers. Another passenger kindly gave the choir packets of sweets to eat later. The passengers were generous and many were clapping along. We had so much fun at the airport and are looking forward to visiting again next year! *Simran and Zahra*



Year 3

Happy New Year. The holiday projects have been absolutely wonderful. The 3D models have been displayed in classes and also some in the main hall. Others have written stories, created collages and even helped cook meals. Every half-term the learning log will have an element of choice to allow your child to be more creative. We are studying the Romans in both art and history this term. As you will be aware this learning will be supplemented with visitors to the school to make the topic come alive. Thank you in advance for your contributions to the cost.

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html> Browse this website with your child to extend their learning. *Best wishes Year 3*

Year 4

Year 4 have had a brilliant start to the year and have shown great enthusiasm about our 'Vikings' topic. In English, the children have been reading and identifying features of journey stories and have participated in role play with dramatic flair! In Maths, the children will continue with multiplication and division. Please continue to support your children with daily reading, spellings and times tables. *Mrs Chowdhury & the Year 4 team.*

Year 5

We hope that Year 5 have had a restful break and are enthusiastic and determined to learn. In English, the children will be learning to write instructions and in Maths, the children will continue with reasoning and multiplication and division. Please do ask your children to share their understanding with you. We really do expect the very best for our children and therefore ask for your support in helping the children read, learn their times tables and spellings daily. *Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team*

Year 6

The new year has begun with us concentrating on reading. Please can I remind you how important it is for you to listen to your child read every day, discuss it with them and sign the book to show us we have heard your child read. English homework will be given out on Mondays from next week and will need to be brought back to school by the following Monday. Thank you for your support, *Mrs Nye and the Year 6 team.*