



Dear families

Firstly, may I welcome you all to William Austin Junior School, whether you are returning after the summer holiday or you are new to our school. It has been lovely to welcome the children back.

This is our first edition of *Junior News Express* of this school year and is a valuable form of communication between school and home. This newsletter allows us to share with you of all the exciting opportunities available to your child and celebrate their achievements. I am really impressed with the WOW work in this edition - these pieces of work are also displayed in the hall. We publish the newsletter every fortnight on our school website www.william-austin.com and you can find out lots of information about the school, including letters we send home to families. We are @WilliamAustinJS if you would like to follow us on Twitter.

I would like to welcome new pupils and staff to William Austin Junior School. Mrs Parkes and Miss Hussain are new teachers in Y6 and Y3 and Mrs Dab is our new Higher Level Teaching Assistant. Mrs Younger is taking on the role of Achievement Leader in Y3 for the autumn term.

We held our Head Boy and Head Girl elections last week and I am pleased to introduce Sabaahat as Head Girl and Zayd as Head Boy.

They will be supported by Sumaiyah and Malaika as Deputy Head Girls and Abyan and Ishaq as Deputy Head Boys. I am confident that they will serve the pupils, staff and school with pride.



We have also elected members of the JLT, our Junior Leadership Team, who will be able to work with Mrs O Neill to make suggestions to improve our school and also raise money for good causes.

We are inviting Y3 and Y4 pupils to scoot to school - we now have scooter racks and the children can buy a lock from the school office to keep their scooter safe during the day.

I am looking forward to the year ahead and know that William Austin will go from strength to strength with your support and involvement. Please do get in contact with us on any aspect of school as we are always keen to meet parents and work together. We are always on the playground both mornings and after school - stop us for a chat, or call into the Family Centre to speak to the Family Workers.

Mrs Adams



William Austin Wizards

South America	Umaymah	Safwan
Asia	Minahil	Ayyub
Europe	Annayah	Joshua
Africa	Adyan	Suhana
North America	Madeena	Ibraheem
Van Gogh	Aminah	Ibraheem
Picasso	Safa	Dayyan
Monet	Aayan	Jana
Baker	Ryaan	Aminah
Hepworth	Khalil	Inaya
Mars	Ikram	Ammaarah
Venus	Arman	Aalia
Neptune	Ruhama	Amaan
Jupiter	Rehab	Haseeba
Saturn	Shanjidah	Ayaan
Goodall	Murtaza	Fatima
Curie	Salma	Amaan
Newton	Aliahnaf	Aeysha
Hawking	Jamaal	Zulaykha
Einstein	Ismail	Maryam



Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:

North America - 99.2%

Author of the Month - Roald Dahl

- Roald Dahl was born in Llandaff, South Wales on September 13th 1916
- His very first children's book, written in 1943 was called *The Gremlins*.
- "I have a passion for teaching kids to become readers...Books shouldn't be daunting, they should be funny, exciting and wonderful."



Upcoming Events:

- 21st September - Individual photographs
- 3rd October - Harvest assemblies
- 4th October - Celtic Harmony visit- Year 3

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Dear Families,

We hope all our families had a great summer and a very **BIG WELCOME** to all our new Year 3 families.

Year 3 - To welcome our new parents/carers to school we are holding a **coffee morning at the Family Centre on Monday 17th September**. Please come along and meet the Family Worker team, find out all the activities and trips we organise.

What's happening

- **Stay & Play** - Tuesday 9:00am-11:00am, please bring all your babies & toddlers to this session. Children & mums can have fun & make new friends
- **Pilates Class** - Wednesday 9:30am-10:30am
- **Sewing Class** - Wednesday 11:00am-2:00pm 10 weeks £40
- **Make up Class** - Thursday 9:00am-11.30am 10 weeks £40

Your Help is Needed

We are here to support all our families. Please give some thought as to what you would like us to organise this year. New places for trips, family activities or adult workshops you would like us to run.

Volunteers

Do you have a hidden talent you would like to share with our mums and community. Perhaps you are a master baker or enjoy knitting? If so we would like to hear from you. **Please call 01582 509121 or pop in to see us for more information.**

Year 4 Learning Log

Class Artist
Think of your class artist. Tell me a little bit about the person. When were they born? Why were they famous? What type of art did they produce? Recreate one of the pictures your artist has produced. Use the internet for research.

Name: Pablo Picasso
Born: October 25, 1881, Spain
Died: April 8, 1973, France
 • Was an **abstract** artist
 • Famous works: *The Pipes of Pan*, *Three Musicians*, *Guernica*, *Three Weeping Women*
 • Art style: **Cubism**, modern art

Pablo Picasso grew up in Malaga, Spain and his father was a painter and an art teacher. Pablo liked to draw from an early age. When Pablo was fourteen he went to a famous famous art school in Barcelona, Spain. A few years later he went to another school in Madrid, Spain. However Pablo was bored with the classic teachings of art school, they were not unique and interesting to him. He didn't want to paint like people hundred of years ago, He wanted to create something new.

Classical artwork was divided into periods. The most famous periods are the blue period, the rose, the cubist period, and cubism period.

In 1909, Pablo Picasso worked with another artist called Georges Braque and they created a completely new style of painting called cubism. In cubism, the object that is seen are broken up into different sections, then the sections are put back together and painted from a different angle. Picasso helps us see the world in new ways.

In 1912, Picasso combined cubism and collage. He would use materials such as colored paper, newspapers and wallpaper to his paintings to add dimension to his work.

Pablo Picasso, still life with fruit and glass, Paris, Gall. 1909

Ibrahim (Picasso)



Goodall



Ismael (Africa)

Did you know that the peacock tarantula is one of nine hundred different specimens of spiders? It's an interesting creature and if you ask me, it's one of the most fascinating creatures of all time! Although the peacock tarantula looks fierce, it's actually really exotic with all its bright colours. Some people may think that the peacock tarantula uses its eyes to look for their victims but unfortunately their eyesight is very bad and I don't think we have glasses small enough for eighteen eyes!



Ismael (Mars)

Cool Website

<http://www.dkfindout.com/uk/> is a fantastic website for extra research. It provides factual information in an easy to understand way, so it should be particularly useful for your learning log tasks as there are so many subjects and topics covered.

Year 3

A huge welcome to our new Year 3 children who have had a brilliant start to the year trying their best to settle into the Junior school rules and routines. We see their journey as building positively on the skills and positive attitudes they were taught as infants. They have been very excited about our Stone Age topic creating hand artwork, as well as investigating different rocks. Please remember that the children need to bring a healthy snack, ideally fruit for morning break and a labelled water bottle. Many thanks. *Mrs Younger and the Year 3 Team*

Year 4

Year 4 have had a brilliant start to the year showing great enthusiasm towards their learning. It has been a busy week with visits to our Willow garden as part of our Science 'living things' topic and swimming has started for half of the children. All Year 4 teachers and staff are really proud of the positive attitudes the children have started the year with and are looking forward to all the fantastic learning opportunities ahead. *Mrs Chowdhury and the Year 4 Team*

Year 5

Year 5 have started the year with an exceptional attitude to work, they are keen to learn and the team are pleased with their approaches to new learning. We are encouraging all the children to read every day for at least ten minutes, please continue to listen to your child read and support them with their homework. English and Learning Log homework will be handed out every Wednesday and needs to be returned to school the following Monday. Maths homework will also be set on a Monday online using MyMaths website. Thank you for your support, *Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team*

Year 6

We have had a very busy and positive start in Year 6 with the children settling in straight away, ready for the year ahead. We have already chosen our new head and deputy girls and boys and the new prefects will be chosen next week. Please continue to listen to your child read EVERY day and support them with their homework.. English will be given out every Monday and needs to be returned to school the following Monday, maths will be given out on a Friday (in maths books and on My Maths website) and completed and returned the following Friday and learning logs will be given out on Wednesdays and need to be completed and returned to school on the following Monday. Many thanks, *Mrs Nye and the Year 6 team.*