



William Austin Wizards

South America	Hassaan	Hashim
Asia	Rubab	Mustafa
Europe	Hussain	Noor
Africa	Yousef	Zainab
North America	Hurain	Hareem
Van Gogh	Yusaf	Adeena
Picasso	Hibba	Imaan
Monet	Shree	Hamza
Baker	Zaina	Saffa
Hepworth	Nazihah	Yusuf
Mars	Mariyah	Zsolt
Venus	Zenab	Tahmid
Neptune	Zia	Zahra
Jupiter	Husaam	Safa
Saturn	Lubaid	Nylah
Goodall	Halima	Subhan
Curie	Rishi	Zaki
Newton	Ismail	Marta
Hawking	Rafay	Medhiya
Einstein	Haadiyah	Arfa

Dear families

It's been another busy week in school! We held a Y4 parents' Times Tables event on Wednesday after school. It was great to see so many parents come along. They had a chance to see how the Times Tables Rock Stars program works and spend time in classes with the teachers finding out how to support their children learning table facts. Thank you to Mr McMulkin and the Y4 staff for organising this event.

Y3 have had a theatre group in yesterday as part of their history topic - read all about this later in the newsletter.

Next week Mars are off to the Stockwood Discovery Centre to meet up with their school linking partner a class from Wenlock Juniors. I know they are looking forward to making new friends!

Please can I remind parents that taking your child out of school for a holiday is not classed as an 'exceptional circumstance' and by doing so you are breaking the law. It is really important that children are in school every day as there is so much learning happening. There may be an impact on your child's progress should you choose to take your child out of school. Term time holidays are having an impact upon our attendance, so please take your holidays during school holiday times.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Adams

Cool Website

In year 4, children are learning about electricity, and enjoying building circuits. Why not continue experimenting with circuits at home using [this amazing website](#). Connect up components in a variety of ways, and see what types of circuits work. You can even switch between pictures of the components and their circuit symbols.



Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:

Jupiter - 96.9%



Upcoming Events

27th January - Samba School Exchange - Samba band
30th January - School Linking - Stockwood Park - Mars
4th February - O2 Arena visit - Choir
6th February - Pizza Express - Picasso

Author of the Month - Michael Morpurgo

1. War Horse
 2. Kensuke's Kingdom
 3. The Butterfly Lion
- Check them out in the library



Dear Families,

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Thank you to all the families who attended the trip to Luton Library Theatre to watch the Griffin Players perform a family favourite 'Aladdin'. The families thoroughly enjoyed it.

Sickness/Absence

Just a reminder to all our parents if your child is sick/absent from school the you will need to call the School Office each day of their absence. Failure to do this will result in your child's absence being marked as unauthorised. Should you not call the Office and have 8 or more absences over a number of weeks the Education Welfare Officer will issue a penalty notice.

Dates for your diaries

- **Walk and Talk** - Monday 9:00am—10:00am. All welcome.
- **Pilates**, Wednesday 9:30am to 10:30am. An excellent way to keep fit and healthy using gentle exercise £3 per session, excellent tutor and great value
- **Sewing**, Wednesday 11am—2pm 7 weeks £40 come along meet new ladies and learn a new skill
- **ESOL**, Thursday 9:15am—11:15am 10 weeks £20, beginners class for those wishing to improve their English in a calm and friendly environment.

Give your child the best start in life every school day by:

- Providing a healthy packed lunch which does not include chocolate, sweets and fizzy drinks.
- Aiming to get at least 96% attendance at school as each day your child is absent from school is a day they have lost learning.

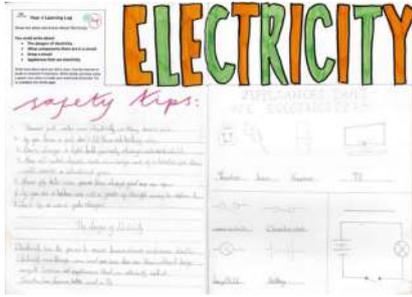
Should you or your family need advice, guidance or support please pop in to see us, call 01582 509121

or email Familyworker@williamAustin.juniorluton.co.uk





Noor (Europe)



Hasnain (Monet)



Inaya (Saturn)



Jannah (Hawking)

P.E.

Please may we remind you that jewellery must be removed for all P.E. lessons. This is to ensure that all children stay safe. Thank you.

Year 3 Roman Workshop



On Thursday we watched an amazing Roman show, there were 3 actors who were hilarious and dramatic. We learned lots of amazing things there like Roman buildings had Vomitoriums in their houses so after they eat they can vomit, and then eat even more! There were some things that we already knew such as the names of the soldiers uniform and weapons which we learnt in history. It was a fantastic show & everyone in year 3 loved the performance. *Amarah & Sadiqul (Europe)*



Year 4 Viking Workshop



Last week the Vikings came to William Austin! They told us an adventure story that happened in the Viking times. The story started like this... There was a girl called Freya who was learning the Vikings alphabet using the runes but she didn't notice two Viking warriors called Olf and Arna who were spying on her and they quietly tiptoed closer and scared her. The two warriors with Freya went on an amazing adventure on the Viking longship. They met a really funny Russian trader and a fearless warrior called Erick the Boneless who shouted a lot. At the end, there was a huge fight and nobody knows what happened next. We really liked it because there was lots of comedy and action. Girls don't usually go on adventures but Freya did! It was a fun way to learn about the Vikings! *Aisha, Mariam & Inayah (Picasso)*



PSHCEE

Our PSHCEE theme for the spring term is 'Going for Goals'. Children have been encouraged to think about the things they want to achieve in the coming year and how they will achieve them. Children also thought about who might help them with their goals and how they might help others with theirs. Pupils recorded their ideas on footballs, some of which were chosen to be part of our colourful 'Going for Goals' display in the hall. This month our value has been forgiveness. During our citizenship day, the children learned about this value through drama and role play situations. This supported the children to think about and practise using forgiveness. Pupils also explored famous forgiveness quotes - these proved an enjoyable and sometimes quite tricky challenge, for children to decipher their meanings.

Year 3

This week Year 3 have been finding out about life in the Roman army. The children were amazed at how big & heavy Roman shields were & decided that running 26 miles carrying one would not be much fun. To help our understanding of life in the Roman times, we have a theatre company coming to school this week, which the children are really excited about. In English, we are looking at fables. The children have read lots of examples & love working out what the moral of the story is. Next, they are going to write their own fable, teaching people not to be greedy or selfish.

Miss Thingsaker & the Year 3 team

Year 4

We had our first parents' workshop for maths this week - thank you to all the parents who attended and were able to see the fluency and speed that is required for the children to pass their test in June. Please continue to support your children at home with practising their tables. Half of the year group have finished swimming for the year and the other half started this week; the children enjoyed visiting Inspire and for some of them, this was the first time they attempted to swim. We are sure that they will learn the skills and become confident in the water.

Thank you for your continued support. *Mrs Ramzan, Mr McMulkin and the Year 4 Team*

Year 5

Year 5 have been working extremely hard with their instructions unit of work and now are looking forward to learning about and writing monologues. In Maths, we are moving onto to learn about Fractions soon so please do have a look at the MyMaths website in order gauge expectations. The children have been very good at completing their daily homework and the impact has been huge. Please keep persevering - thank you for all your support! *Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team*

Year 6

Year Six have been hard at work this half term. We have begun learning about percentages in maths and are writing explanation texts in English: these are linked to our science learning about adaptation. Children have enjoyed learning some new punctuation and are beginning to use semi-colons in their writing. Thank you for ensuring you hear your children read for ten minutes each evening and assisting them with their daily practice in English and maths. *Mr Gilligan & the Year 6 team*