



William Austin Wizards

South America	Zoya	Daniyal
Asia	Annayah	Sahil
Europe	Zaynab	Zayan
Africa	Saniyah	Adam
North America	Adam	Aminah
Van Gogh	Fatima	Rayyan
Picasso	Zaynab	Ibrahim
Monet	Tazim	Apesha
Baker	Feeza	Raheem
Hepworth	Siraj	Ayana
Mars	Soraia	Nehad
Venus	Ibraheem	Jannah
Neptune	Rafi	Madiha
Jupiter	Umar	Sara
Saturn	Mohammad	Seher
Goodall	Ismael	Halima
Curie	Ibrahim	Muskan
Newton	Ibrahim	Umaymah
Hawking	Ammar	Layla
Einstein	Amaan	Mohammed



Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:

Asia - 97%



Upcoming Events:

- 12th February - Luton Town Football Club & Police workshops- Year 5
- 14th February- Gurdwara visit- Year 4
- 17th February - Half term holiday
- 24th February - Children return to school

Dear families

It's been a great week in school. Members of our choir went to the Young Voices trip at the O2 with Miss Liddiard, Miss Thingsaker, Mrs Fearn and Mrs Rose. Thank you to all those staff who had a very long, but enjoyable day. They had an amazing time - read about this later on in the newsletter.

Our Samba band enjoyed their trip to The Grove Junior School in Harpenden. It was a great way to link with another school through the shared love of Samba. Thank you to Miss Liddiard and Ms Clifford for organising this.

We said goodbye to Ms Clifford yesterday as Mrs Toinko will be returning from her maternity leave and will be teaching Picasso class. We look forward to welcoming her back again.

Picasso really enjoyed their trip to Pizza Express yesterday - they had great fun learning how pizzas are made.

Next week Y4 are off to the Gurdwara as part of their RE topic. We look forward to hearing all about that.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Adams

Cool Website

NatGeo Kids continues to be a treasure trove of fun and education activities. Their [Geography section](#) is particularly good, with the opportunity to explore a range of topics from earthquakes to holiday destinations, and also features many fun games and quizzes.

Author of the Month - Enid Blyton

- Enid Mary Blyton was born on 11th August 1897 in South London
- Altogether, Enid Blyton is believed to have written around 700 books (including collections of short stories) as well as magazines, articles and poems.
- Her books have been translated into over 40 languages.



Guitar Lessons

Children started guitar lessons this week. Hopefully in the future they will perform what they have learnt to us in school and at other events. If your child is interested in learning the guitar please speak to Miss Liddiard.

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Dear Families,

Thank you to all our parents who have been supportive this half term. **WELL DONE** to our parents for ensuring their children are on time for school and for those parents who are proactive in their child's attendance. **As a school we are aiming to achieve 97% attendance which means your child only has 6 days of absence in the academic year. As this is a very important year for our Yr6 children please be mindful a day absent is a day lost learning.**

We would like to remind all our families the Family Centre is a place where **ALL parents, families and community members** can come and learn new skills, get fit and meet new people. Please tell your neighbours and family members to join us. All courses are shown on our timetable on the school website and advertised around school.

Craft Morning 18th February 10:00—12:00 £3 at the Family Centre

Movie Morning 20th February 10:00—12:00 £3 at the Family Centre

CYCD Holiday Club 17th February—21st February 12:30pm—3:30pm. Parents have been contacted for all those children who will be attending this time, sorry no spaces left. Please drop off at the Family Centre via the Austin Road gate. Please be on time.

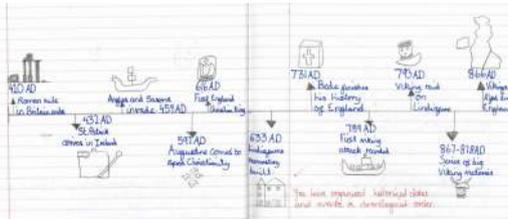
We wish all our families a safe and fun half term and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 24th February.

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

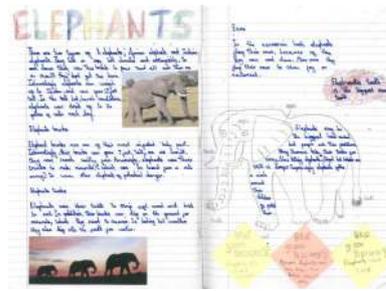




Aminah (North America)



Adyan (Van Gogh)



Asim (Newton)



Tayyaba (Venus)

YV YOUNG VOICES



Choir at Young Voices

Young Voices was so much fun! Finally coming together and singing as one. We left at 11am and it took us a little while to get to the amazing O2 Arena. Believe it or not there were 8000 children gathered together! We rehearsed for 2 whole hours and then performed from 6pm onwards. It was nerve-wracking performing in front of such a big audience but we did it! *Jana (Mars)*

Boccia Tournament

On Friday 31st January, we went to a Boccia tournament at the Sixth Form college. A selected group of children from all year groups went on a minibus. We had lots of fun as we played against lots of schools. This year we nearly made it to the end of the competition. After each game we shook hands with the other teams and they congratulated us. We have been part of the Boccia team since we were in Year 3, sadly this was our last tournament because we're going to high school. Thank you to all the teachers especially Mr Britten for accompanying us to the tournament. *Muskan (Curie) & Umaymah (Newton)*

Our Choir raised £223.11 for Macmillan when they sang at Luton Airport before the Christmas holidays

Samba Exchange

Last week our newly formed Samba Band went to The Grove Junior School in Harpenden. At the school the children rehearsed with their school samba band and spent the day making music and making new friends. At the end of the day the children performed altogether to the children at The Grove Junior School. A great day was had by everyone!

Geography

Pupils have been learning about geography in the context of the wider environment using geographical skills. In autumn, year 3 learnt about the world and its countries, researching the physical and human characteristics. Year 4 learnt about Catalonia an area of Spain. They located the major towns, cities and rivers producing leaflets and brochures. Year 5 learnt about modern day Greece, locating the seas and islands of Greece, along with rivers. They also compared Greece to Scotland looking at the physical and human features of both countries. Year 6 researched volcanoes, how they were formed, the different types, locations, features and the style of eruption. During the spring term, year 3 will be learning about Italy, year 4 will be investigating Fairtrade, and year 5 will be learning about Alaska and the impact of the Trans Atlantic pipeline. Year 6 have been learning about settlements, and finally making comparisons between urban and rural ones. Fieldwork is an essential skill, where children can apply their skills from the classroom into a real situation. Year 3 will be going on a local area walk and investigating technology in the area. Year 4 will be going to London, looking at the wider environment and making comparisons with their town. Year 5 and 6 will be going on field trips where they will go on extended walks, making sketches of the local area and understanding about the differences in the landscapes around them.

Year 3

This week we have been very busy making and designing our own Roman shields. We have thought about what the symbols and colours on a Roman shield stand for and explored how the design is usually symmetrical. Hopefully, next week we will have some amazing finished shields to share with you. In English, we have learnt how a playscript is written and have really enjoyed acting out the story of James and the Giant Peach. We definitely have some budding actors! *Miss Thingsaker & the Year 3 team*

Year 4

It has been a fun and exciting few weeks in year 4. The children have finished writing their non-chronological reports in English lessons. They used persuasive language to encourage visitors to attend Inspire Sports Village. This was particularly relevant as all children have now attended swimming sessions at Inspire. The new group have shown great enthusiasm so far and are enjoying themselves thoroughly. Picasso class got to be chefs for the day when visiting Pizza Express. We hope you got to try a slice of pizza at home. All classes will visit Pizza Express this year. *Mr McMulkin, Mrs Ramzan and the Year 4 Team*

Year 5

We have been working extremely hard in Year 5 and are beginning to write some excellent monologues - please ask the children what this is! In Maths, we have started our block of work on fractions but are quickly realising that we need to use our multiplication and division facts! Please ensure the children are learning their times tables using Times Tables Rockstars and complete homework using MyMaths. Look out for the upcoming TTRS final battles this weekend. *Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team*

Year 6

This week in Year Six, we have begun a new writing topic, whereby children will be using persuasive techniques to encourage guests to come to their unique hotels. As well as this, children have been honing their mapwork skills, learning to read four and six-figure grid references. Furthermore, Year Six have completed some assessments, working very hard to showcase what they've learnt. *Mr Gilligan & the Year 6 team*