



William Austin Wizards

South America	Hamad	Irza
Asia	Tazmeen	Eliyas
Europe	Hadya	Abduraheem
Africa	Junaid	Tayibah
North America	Labaik	Is-Haq
Van Gogh	Wanya	Hashim
Picasso	Amarah	Ateeq
Monet	Zara	Hamzah
Baker	Taha	Jermeen
Hepworth	Sakariye	Hareem
Mars	Malak	Zaid
Venus	Hassan	Hiba
Neptune	Imaani	Ayaz
Jupiter	Alyssa	Sahil
Saturn	Ihsaan	Hafsa
Goodall	Isha	Aysha
Curie	Safa	Ruqayyah
Newton	Nehad	Sara
Hawking	Ameena	Abdullah
Einstein	Esa	Adam

Dear families

Welcome to first edition of our Newsletter for the Summer Term. It has been lovely weather recently - all that blue sky and sunshine meant we were able to use the field as a zone for upper school class bubbles during lunchtime.

I enjoyed looking at the holiday homework - especially the Leaning Tower of Pisa - I think we have the largest collection on display! They all looked very realistic.

Y4 swimming started up again this week - Picasso and Hepworth enjoyed their first lesson and I know are looking forward to going again next week!

Please remember to keep your dinner money account topped up using Scopay - there is an app you can download to make it easier. The food on the menu is tasty and a lot more of it is freshly prepared from scratch.

We are looking forward to the Science Workshops taking place next week in school - thank you to Mr Patel for organising this.

Enjoy the fine weather over the weekend.

Take care,
Mrs Adams



Attendance

The classes with the highest attendance are:

Africa & Picasso - 96.6%

Upcoming Events:

- 26th April - CHILL Workshops - Year 5
- 27th April - CHILL Workshops - Year 5
- 28th April - Cross Country Challenge
- 28th April - Science Workshop - Year 3
- 29th April - Cross Country Challenge
- 29th April - Science Workshop - Year 5
- 30th April - Indian Drumming - Year 3
- 3rd May - May Day Holiday
- 5th May - Science Workshop - Year 4
- 6th May - Science Workshop - Year 6

Cool Website

Want to learn more about what's happening or has happened on today's date? Visit [The Old Farmer's Almanac for Kids](https://www.theoldfarmeralmanac.com/) to try out a range of fun activities. The website features riddles, puzzles, jokes, a question of the day to get you thinking, intriguing history facts, and sky events to track and keep an eye out for at home. The site is America-based, so a lot of the information is USA-centric, but you are sure to find something interesting.

Author of the Month - Malorie Blackman



- Malorie Blackman has written over fifty books and is acknowledged as one of today's most imaginative and convincing writers for young readers
- In 2008 she received an OBE for her services to children's literature.
- She has been described by The Times as 'a national treasure' and was the Children's Laureate 2013-15.

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Dear Families,

Thank you to those families who returned their 'SMASH' photos they have now been given back to Level Trust to display in their window. Well done to all those children selected and who took part.

LATERAL FLOW TESTING KITS

Around 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 do not have symptoms. Rapid lateral flow tests help to find cases in people who may not have symptoms but are still infected unknowingly passing the virus on to others. We have a limited supply of kits which are free. If you wish to ensure you are keeping your family, your children and our community safe please pop into the Family Centre to pick up your kit. They will be issued on a first come first served basis.

You may ask yourself the question Why should I self test?

- Lateral tests are quick and easy to use
- You can test yourself or family members in privacy and in the safety of your own home
- Lateral flow tests deliver a rapid result, in 30 minutes.
- I know I am playing my part to reduce the levels of infections

Should you need additional support or have concerns about your child please do contact and speak with us.

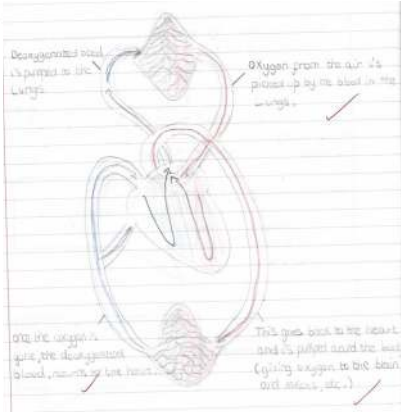
STAY SAFE, WASH HANDS and KEEP YOUR DISTANCE
Please call 01582 509121 for support advice or information

Take a look at this week's **WOW Work!**

Gurjot has produced an amazing 3D model of a theme park ride while at home during the Easter holiday. She has taken great care and used a variety of techniques to craft this beautifully eye-catching design out of a selection of different materials. Very well done Gurjot, it really is a wonderful model.



Gurjot (Saturn)



Lama (Hawking)



Hadya (Europe)



'Prince Philip'
By Maisha (Monet)

W/b 26th April 2021

Word of the week - curiosity

Curiosity is having a strong desire to learn or know something and it is what drives us to learn new things.

Often many of us actively look to explore and discover new things and that is a quality that is extremely important while you're a child. Being curious can help you to become more observant and to think about things, to figure them out. Being curious can help you expand your vocabulary as you use language to describe what you're thinking, seeing, hearing or experiencing.

Living without curiosity makes life less interesting, while its presence makes a person more alive and energetic. It keeps the mind strong and in good shape.

Here are some ways you can develop your curiosity:

- Keep an open mind
- Don't take things for granted
- Ask lots of questions
- View learning as 'fun'
- Explore - do not only read one genre of book, learn about different cultures, visit different places, speak to people from different cultures and backgrounds, try foods from different cuisines etc.

W/b 3rd May 2021

Word of the week - peace

Peace is a time without any fights or wars. In a larger sense, peace (or peacefulness) can mean a state of harmony, quiet or calm that is not disturbed by anything at all, like a still pond with no ripples.

You can find peace in these ways:

- Inner peace - do something that you find calming or go somewhere that helps you feel calm
- By immersing yourself in nature - spending time outdoors instead
- Play creatively - make-believe
- Engage in hands on experiences - make things like cards, bake bread to share with friends and family, sort through your belongings and pass on items you no longer use, to others
- Give to those in need - take part in a sponsored event to raise money for a charity, donate your pre-loved belongings to those in need
- Support and encourage your friends to resolve problems peacefully, without conflicts by being respectful towards each other
- Be good Samaritans - show respect and care towards people within your community like elderly individuals, people less fortunate, animals shelters, hospitals etc.

D&T

Since the school has returned after lockdown, the children have been really engrossed in their Design and Technology topics this term. Year 3 made some amazing photo frames from an existing shell structure. Year 4 have learnt about circuits and created some amazing lamps in the style of a lighthouse. In Year 5, they have learnt all about nutrition and created some delicious cookies as a result. Finally, in Year 6, they made some interactive board games from a simple circuit. It's been a very exciting term! *Miss Davies*

Year 3

We have had a very busy week in Year 3. In English, we have been looking at a story about a little girl who finds out all about her Grandad's memories. The children have been collecting their own memories which we are looking forward to hearing about next week. In Maths, we have continued to look at fractions and are amazed at how well the children can talk about whole and equal parts. Our Science topic for this half term is plants so we have spent lots of time this week looking at our school garden and planting our own seeds. Hopefully they will all grow into beautiful plants. *Miss Thingsaker & the Year 3 team*

Year 4

Children have returned to school enthusiastic about our Summer Term topics and ready to work diligently on their targets before they move onto Year 5! In science, the children are having a great time learning about the digestive systems and taking part in fun experiments to secure their understanding. In art, the children have been appreciating mosaic artworks and our English topic is newspaper reports where the children have begun to understand the language and features. Please continue to support your child daily, listening to them read and encouraging them to complete their daily homework. Thank you for your continuous support. *Mrs Chowdhury and Year 4 team.*

Year 5

Year 5 have returned to school rested but rearing to go! We have begun to plan our own explanation texts in English and are exploring how rockets fly into space - needless to say we're very creative! Reading is a priority in our school so please continue to hear the children read daily for at least ten minutes. In maths, we have decided to revisit and revise our understanding of formal written methods for multiplication. It is vital that children are confident in their knowledge of multiplication facts so please encourage them to use TTRS. Thank you for your continued support. *Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team.*

Year 6

Year 6 have returned to school enthusiastic to learn and are enjoying our new topics. In assembly, Mrs Adams and Mrs Parker informed children of a surprise Lottery win and children debated the pros and cons of our Junior Leaders and school prefects taking over the school. They are going to present their arguments by writing a balanced argument. In history, we are learning about the ancient Beninese empire; this links nicely to our music lessons where children have begun learning how to play the djembe drum. Reading is a priority at William Austin and we thank you for continuing to hear your child read each evening. *Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team.*

Lateral Flow Tests

The government has rolled out the lateral flow testing service nationwide, to help identify any possible positive cases of COVID-19 whilst being asymptomatic.

Twice weekly testing is encouraged for household contacts or those in support bubbles of those going to school.

Tests can be given to any individuals who meet the above criteria and they can also collect testing kits for their household members (up to a maximum of 4 tests).

Pharmacy details with opening hours below:

Harris Pharmacy
165a/b Dunstable Road
Luton
LU1 1BW
tel: 01582400851
Monday - Friday: 9am to 7pm
Saturday: 9.30am to 1pm
Sunday: Closed

Westbourne Pharmacy
198b Dunstable Road
Luton
LU4 8JJ
tel: 01582419432
Monday - Friday: 9am to 9pm
Saturday: 9:30am to 6pm
Sunday: 10am to 4pm

Please note if the individual has tested positive or presenting with symptoms for Covid-19 or has been asked to self isolate, they should **not** attend the pharmacy. If this is the case and they require testing they should book a normal test online at nhs.uk/coronavirus or by calling 119.

National survey of children, The Big Ask, launches today

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has today launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

All schools are encouraged to support their pupils to [complete this survey](#). A range of [teaching resources](#) have also been produced, including lesson plans and activity packs, to help teachers incorporate this into their lessons.

Parents, care leavers and those working with children are also invited [to complete the adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.

Covid-19 Vaccination opportunity



No need to pre-book - just 'walk up'

Friday 23, Saturday 24,
Sunday 25 April

10am - 4pm each day



Marsh Farm Futures House
Car park
The Moakes
LU3 3QB

Luton Irish Forum
Car park
102 Hitchin Road
LU2 0ES

Sainsbury's Bury Park
Car park
34 Dunstable Road
LU1 1DY

We are making the Covid-19 vaccine more accessible to residents who haven't had the chance to have theirs yet.

The Covid-19 vaccine is safe and the best protection against the disease for each of us, our families and our community. It's key to returning to normal life again.

Who is eligible?

Luton residents yet to receive the first dose of the vaccine who are:

- over 45 years old; or
- 30 years or over and have been classified as **clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV)**; or
- 30 years or over and provide **formal or informal care for someone** (we'll just need details of the person you are caring for)

*In addition, and for this weekend only, the vaccine will also be available to anyone who is 30 and over who **lives with** someone that falls into any of the above categories.*

No paperwork required – just proof that you live in a Luton postcode (LU1-LU4)

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