



Value of the Month 'Democracy'



William Austin Wizards

South America	Habiba	Umar
Asia	Abbas	Saarah
Europe	Mahir	Alina
Africa	Jannat	Ahsan
North America	Haajar	Aryan
Hokusai	Ibrahim	Haram
Baker	Rafa	Zara
Hadid	Ibrahim	Aimen
Hepworth	Irza	Qasim
Van Gogh	Ali	Sumayah
Mars	Abdullah	Aisha
Venus	Yasser	Saniyah
Neptune	Salma	Razi
Jupiter	Amarah	Sadiqul
Saturn	Laiba	Sarbaz
Goodall	Osman	Aalia
Curie	Haider	Amna
Hawking	Moiez	Esha
Jemison	Hasnain	Sumayah
Linnaeus	Mohammed	Nafisa

Dear families

Welcome to this edition of our Newsletter - the last newsletter before we break for half term.

More of the Y4 classes have been visiting St Albans Cathedral as part of their Anglo-Saxon topic in history. They have all been able to learn about the Anglo Saxons and their way of life.

A group of Y5/Y6 pupils have taken part in an event at the Inspire Sports Centre competing in many different Sports Hall activities. It's great for them to be able to join in with the competition against other schools.

Your child will have brought home a letter about the 'flu vaccine. It's really important to allow your child to have this vaccine. This year there are two options a nasal spray or an injection - the injection does not contain any porcine. I hope this will enable you to make an informed choice.

For parents of Y6 pupils, please make sure you have completed your application for high schools. The deadline falls in half term. Our Family Workers have been supporting parents who are not sure how to complete the form and have sent out a number of text messages about this.

We are encouraging all pupils to take part in the MyOn reading challenge over the holiday - read more about this in the newsletter.

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Begum today as she starts her maternity leave - we all hope she takes the time to rest before her baby is due.

Finally, we send our congratulations to Mr Britten who got married last weekend, and also to Mr Gilligan who is getting married during the half term holiday.

Training day is Monday 1st November so the pupils should come back to school on Tuesday 2nd November.

Take care and enjoy the half term holiday.

Mrs Adams



Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:

Baker - 97.5%

Cool Website

Looking for some fun activities to try out over half term? [Funology](#) is a fantastic website full of all sort of exciting activities to try out, so be sure to visit and find something fun to do.

Upcoming Events

25th October - Half term holidays
1st November - Training Day
2nd November - Children return to school

Well Done to Neptune & Venus for reaching 1 million words this week!
Goodall & Linnaeus have reached 2 million.
Curie & Jemison have reached over 3 million words!

Author of the Month - Guy Bass

1. Stitch Head
2. The Legend of Frog
3. Gormy Ruckles

Check them out in the library



Dear Families,

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

As we approach half term we would like to take the opportunity to thank parents for their support during this half term. Your children have settled well back into their school routine, lateness to school has really improved and most parents are keeping their children's lunch money account in credit. Please continue to do so.

Community Cooking 9:00am-11:00am Starting Friday 5th November

Come along and meet new people, share your recipes and cook lovely food to eat and enjoy together at the Family Centre.

If you change your mobile phone number please let the school office know. Calling parents is so very important we are responsible for the welfare of your child whilst they are in school, so please make sure your family details are correct and you or a listed member of your family are available to answer the phone.

Y6 High School Applications September 2022-Deadline Friday 22nd October

Most parents have submitted their child's application to High School, we still have a couple which are outstanding but hope they are completed ASAP.

We are sorry we have bombarded you all with text messages and telephone calls but we feel it is very important for your child to receive an allocated space at a school which is within catchment and does not take them away from their friends.

Luton schools are always over subscribed in particular Denbigh and Icknield hence the reason why we wanted your applications in before the cut off time.

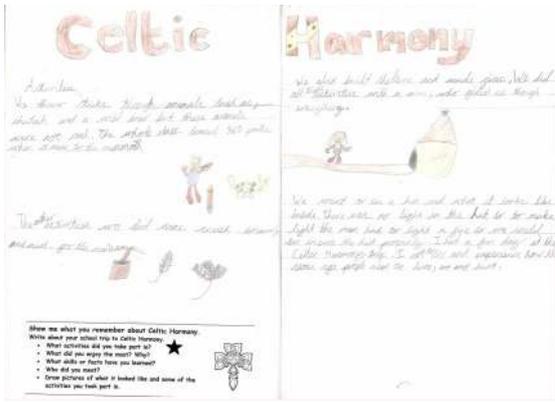
Have a happy, healthy fun filled half term, see you on Tuesday 2nd November 2021

STAY SAFE, WASH HANDS and KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

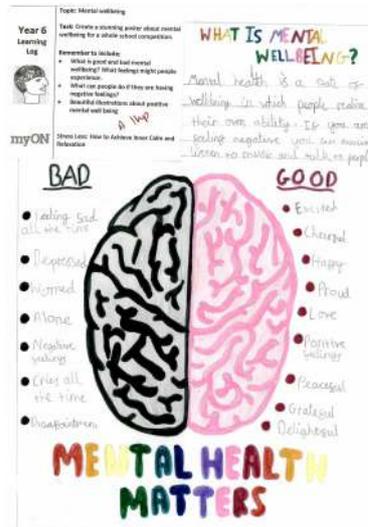
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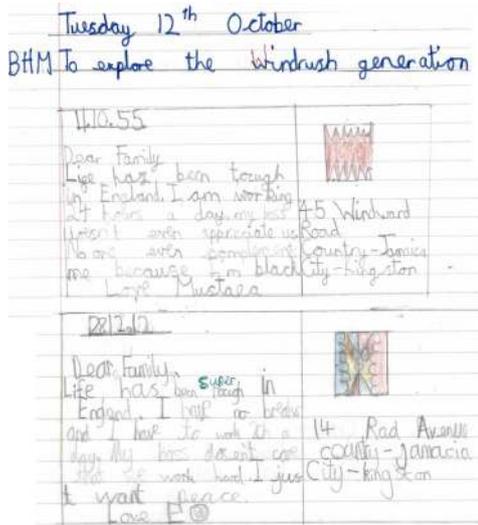
Take a look at this week's **WOW Work!**



Dawud (Europe)



Zaid (Hawking)



Mustafa & Ehsan

<p>Interesting information</p> <p>Many people from the Caribbean only planned to stay in Britain for a few years before moving on, but lots ended up settling permanently, having families, and considering Britain their home. The boat carried 1027 people. The Windrush generation were wearing their most fanciest and best clothes they could. It took them 22 days to arrive.</p>		<p>Why did they come to Britain?</p> <p>The act and encouragement from British government campaigns in Caribbean countries led to a wave of immigration. Between 1948 and 1970, nearly half a million people moved from the Caribbean to Britain, which in 1948 faced severe labour shortages in the wake of the second world war.</p>
<p>What impact did they have on Britain?</p> <p>They came to Britain and they had jobs such as carpenters, mechanics, cleaners, nurses and steel workers. They soon worked in massive factories and they helped make the NHS what it is today. Britain would be so different without them.</p>	<p>The Windrush Generation</p>	<p>Who were the Windrush generation?</p> <p>They all came from different countries like Jamaica, India, South Africa and Pakistan. They travelled from a boat called HMT Empire Windrush which arrived in Britain on 21st of June 1948 in Tilbury Docks in Essex.</p>

Hassan (Saturn)

Year 4 St Albans Cathedral

Last week, we went to St Albans Cathedral as part of our History topic Anglo Saxons. First, we learnt about Anglo Saxon foods. We made butter and apricot jam. We even got to taste them. In the afternoon, we walked around the Cathedral and we learnt more about the Anglo Saxons. My favourite part was making the food. It was a great day. Ibrahim (Hokusai)

Enrichment & Wellbeing - Mr Ahmed

William Austin is pleased to announce the successful start of its new Challenge Programme. With a rich variety of clubs running every single day, our children have the opportunity to hone their skills in areas such as times tables and handwriting, or more creative activities such as drawing or design and technology. It has been absolutely amazing to see such huge turnouts, with some clubs having children waiting outside or teachers having to create rotas so that everyone gets the chance to join in the fun. Along with this, our amazing PE department have organised clubs before, during and after school to ensure our children are super fit and work on vital skills such as communication and teamwork. Clubs at William Austin strive to be exciting, inclusive and inspiring for everyone. These clubs, classes and creative sessions provide fun ways for children to play, learn new skills and gain fresh experiences so please do encourage your children to attend at least once a week!

Value of the Month - Democracy

The first democracy was developed in the Ancient Greek city of Athens many years ago. A group of people called The Council suggested laws.

The Assembly, which was made up of all citizens (women and slaves were not included) voted on whether the laws should or should not pass.

In addition, The Assembly elected some government leaders by writing the name of their favourite candidate on a stone or piece of wood. The candidate with the most votes won.

Other governments held elections throughout history. Often, however, strict rules limited who could vote.

Today, according to the Democracy Index, there are 20 countries that are full democracies. Many additional countries are classified as "flawed democracies" by the Index.

Year 3

Year 3 have been busy thinking about the lives of the Windrush Generation this week as part of Black History Month. We explored the life of Floella Benjamin and focused on the feelings the people would have had coming to England. To finish our learning, we looked at how the Notting Hill Carnival celebrates Caribbean culture and the children made amazing carnival masks. During the half term break, please encourage your child to take part in the MyOn reading competition and Times Table Rockstars Battles. Have a lovely half term. Miss Thingsaker & the Year 3 team

Year 4

Year 4 went on an education trip to St Albans Cathedral and had a fantastic time. They learnt many different facts about the Anglo Saxons and looked around the beautiful Cathedral. We are very pleased with the children as we were praised by the staff at the Cathedral as well as members of the public. In Maths, we have been adding and subtracting and children are becoming more confident. As we come to the end of this half term, I would like to thank parents for their continuous support. Please continue to support children with their reading and their half term projects. Have a lovely holiday. Mrs Chowdhury and the Year 4 Team

Year 5

Year 5 delved deep into Black History Month- we've learnt all about the Windrush Generation and Mrs Parkes shared her family's experiences of the Windrush when they first arrived to the UK. We've also explored some amazing poetry by J Chambers and Langston Hughes and were inspired to write our own. Please do have an enjoyable half-term but encourage the children to participate in the MYON competition as well the Times Tables Rock Stars Battles which will be live from Monday. Thank you for your support - have a restful break. Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team

Year 6

Year 6 marked Black History this year with a range of different lessons themed around the Windrush Generation. We made carnival-style masks, located Caribbean countries in atlases and wrote mini-monologues inspired by the book 'Coming to England'. Classes were visited by Mrs Yearwood-May who taught them about her ancestral home of St Vincent. In addition, we studied a range of Caribbean poetry, learning and performing 'Wha Me Mudda Do' by Grace Nichols. Well done to the fastest child from each Year 6 class who took part in a live times tables battle in the hall — you did great. Have a restful half term. Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team

Half Term Reading Challenge



Are you wondering what to do over the half-term holidays?

Then why not let your imagination fly by delving into the wonderful world of books. Not only will you improve your reading, but you will also be working your way to a fantastic prize.

- 1. In each year group, the child with the highest word count will win a fabulous prize.**
- 2. The top class will also win an award.**

EVERY WORD COUNTS - log onto myON!

Challenge Dates

23rd October – 1st November 2021

You can access myON in various ways: via the school Intranet or by googling myON and logging in.

REMEMBER, to use the same login details as you use for all school related online activities.