



Value of the Month 'Democracy'



William Austin Wizards

South America	Umar	Bateel
Asia	Safaan	Amna
Europe	Aayan	Amal
Africa	Abdul	Zuha
North America	Ubaid	Aminah
Hokusai	Umar	Habiba
Baker	Musa	Aaminah
Hadid	Daniyal	Ruqaiyah
Hepworth	Dawud G	Aaiza
Van Gogh	Haajar	Aaryan
Mars	Salah-Uddin	Zahra
Venus	Shahzain	Aleena
Neptune	Arman	Sana
Jupiter	Hasan Q	Fatima
Saturn	Haider	Arya
Goodall	Haris	Saymuzzaman
Curie	Ateeq	Inaya
Hawking	Qais	Jermeen
Jemison	Tahmid	Amna
Linnaeus	Sarbaz	Zoya

Dear families

We've come to the end of our first half term and are all ready for a break!

We had a special Diwali menu for lunch yesterday in preparation for Diwali which falls in the holiday. I wish all our families celebrating this festival a happy time together.

Y5 enjoyed their trip to the Natural History Museum last week and were able to look at many displays and exhibits linked to their science topics of space and lifecycles. They have also been looking after chicks and hatching butterflies as part of this exciting topic.

Our children have been working really hard on their Black History Month work - with the theme being around inspirational women. Each year group have been finding out about these women and have displayed some of the work in the hall. You will be able to view this on parents' evening.

We sent out the parents' evening letters which will take place on 8th November. It's really important that you make an appointment to meet with the class teacher as there is much your child will have done that needs to be celebrated. The children have worked really hard this half term and have all settled well into their new classes.

We are marking Give Racism the Red Card today by wearing a red accessory to school today. Mr Osborne and Mr Britten have been talking to the classes about this important campaign which started off in football.

We say goodbye to Mr Ahmed today, who is moving to a different school. We thank him for all his hard work and wish him well for the future. We also say goodbye to Miss Uddin, and thank her for all her hard work with the children around the school.

Today is the last day before the holidays. I hope you are able to enjoy the break with family and friends. School will start again for the children on Tuesday 1st November.

Enjoy your half term break.

Mrs Adams

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:

Baker 98%



Cool Website

[GoNoodle](https://www.go-noodle.com/) is a great website full of fun activities to get you moving and make you feel good. Songs, dance routines, yoga and mindfulness activities will boost your mood. The website is completely free, and you will be sure to find something fun to do.

Please make sure you keep your dinner money account topped up.

The price is £12 per week.

Author of the Month - Guy Bass

Check out his books in the library:

- Dinkin Dings and the Frightening Things
- Noah Scape Can't Stop Repeating Himself
- The Ghost of Grotteskew
- The Pirate's Eye



24.10.2022- Half-term holiday

31.10.2022- Training Day

1.11.2022- Children return to school.

4.11.2022- Indian Drumming- Year 3

8.11.2022- Open Evening

Upcoming Events:

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe summer has now officially ended and we are heading into the darker evenings and cold mornings. Please continue to keep your children warm with hats & gloves along with a warm coat. We have several hats and gloves in the lost property box. We hope all our families have a fun filled half term and look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 1st November.

Breakfast Club

Every morning from 8:00am. There is no need to pre-book as we have spaces just give us a call should you wish your child to attend and for more information.

Family Digital Skills - Monday 1pm - 3pm

Places are still available for a free 5 week course on Mondays 1:00pm-3:00pm

High School Applications

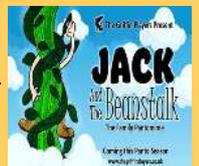
Deadline for application forms to be completed is **31st October** for all online applications. Please contact us for support or attend Luton Library every Friday morning from 9:00am to speak with a member of the Admissions Team.

Family Panto- Library Theatre

Join us with your families to watch, the Griffin Players perform their traditional family pantomime. There'll be singing, dancing, bad jokes (oh yes there will!) **Saturday 10th December at 11:00am. Tickets are £11 per person.** If interested please give us a call tickets will be going quickly.

Makeup Course -Thursdays 1:30pm - 3:30pm

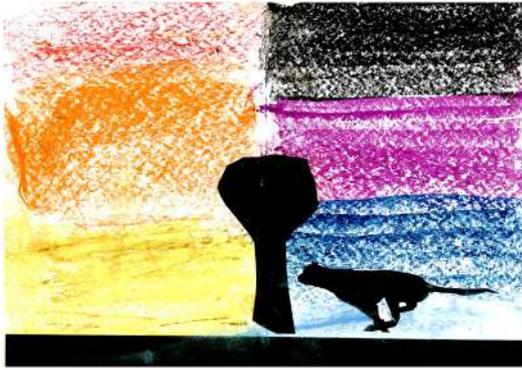
Starting Thursday 1st November for 10 weeks, £40. Places are still available should you wish to attend. Please give us a call.



Take a look at this week's

Wow Work!

Aliza and Farhan (Hawking)



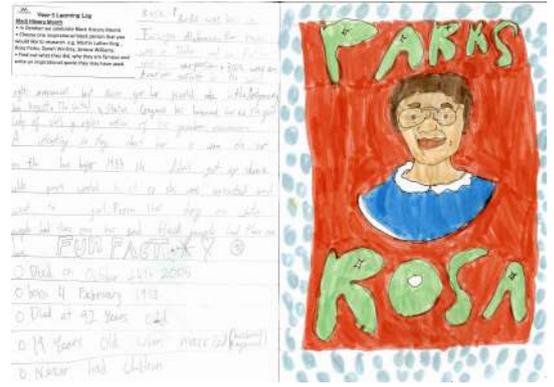
Faz (Europe)

Early Life Oprah Winfrey was born in Kosciusko, Mississippi on January 29th in 1954. Her mother was a teenage girl named Vernita Lee and her father was a U.S. army private and a barber called Vernon Winfrey. Oprah's mother named her after a character from the bible Oprah.	 <p>Oprah Winfrey</p>	Career In 1971 Oprah was encouraged to enter a beauty pageant and won first place in it. At the interview, Oprah said that her goal was to become a broadcast journalist. After the pageant, she was then offered a job as a news reader on the local radio. She loved the job. A few years later, she made 30 million dollars.
Philanthropy Oprah Winfrey has been helping underprivileged people from around the world as much as she can to help them get the best opportunities available by making the basics of life available to them. She was the first African-American to be named amongst the top 50 most philanthropic Americans in 2004. She had donated almost \$400 million for educational purposes.		Awards and Achievements For 25 years (1986 - 2011) Winfrey was host of the award-winning show The Oprah Winfrey Show, the highest-rated TV show of its kind in history. In 2013, she was awarded the Medal of Freedom by President Obama.



Sarah-Maria (Hadid)

Yayibah (Saturn)



Year 5 - Natural History Museum Trip

We really enjoyed the Natural History Museum, even though the drive was long, it was pretty fun! First we went to the dinosaurs area, inside were bones from over 1,000,000 years ago. There were moving dinosaurs (not real) but costume machine ones and lots of fossils and bones of the dinosaurs features. Next we went to the birds area and there were amazing birds like dodos (extinct), owls, pigeons and many more. We arrived at the space section where we were amazed by the gems and minerals. Inside was a space suit worn on the moon. We even saw a lava suit. Our favourite part of the trip was going through the escalator and into the Earth's core.
 Aaizah and Aamna from Mars class.

Library - Mrs Oliver

We are continually trying to encourage the children to read and to enjoy reading so in the library we offer a range of activities for them to take part in. On Mondays we do Mindfulness Monday where we do some colouring or other activity listening to music. On the other days the children are able to do quizzes or use the Tag reading systems or read on myON. On Fridays the year 3 children have a dedicated story club where they can listen to a story and explore different kinds of books. We also run the Scholastic book club where you can buy books of all kinds for your children and each book you buy helps us to buy books for school. Please support this if you are able.

Year 3

It has been a busy week in Year 3. In Maths, we are continuing to learn how to add and subtract 3-digit numbers. The children have really impressed their teachers with their ability to show their understanding with place value counters. The next step will be to learn how this links to formal written methods. In English, the children have really enjoyed learning a poem called 'The Magic Box' and we are sure they would be happy to perform it to you if you ask them. This week the children will be writing their own poems which the teachers are looking forward to reading. Thank you for your continued support with reading at home. Please remember that your child needs their reading record signed daily.

Miss Thingsaker & the Year 3 team

Year 4

Year 4 have begun a new English unit all about poetry. We have already been learning about similes and will continue to learn about other poetic features such, metaphors and personification. We have been practising some complicated addition and subtraction in columns, using grouping and exchanging. This has been very successful across the year group. We will be visiting St. Albans Cathedral in November as part of our History learning, which the children are very excited for. Thank you for your continued support and please keep on encouraging children to practise their times tables.

Mr Patel and the Year 4 team

Year 5

Year 5 have continued working on life cycles in science, last week we welcomed ten chicks into our fold, they have since found a loving home! Each class was fortunate enough to observe live metamorphosis - our caterpillars transformed into butterflies and we will be releasing them this week. In English, we moved onto poetry and in our maths lessons, we're finishing up our addition and subtraction unit. We'll be learning about multiplication and division soon, so ensure you know all your tables. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team

Year 6

Year 6 marked Black History this year with a range of different lessons themed around black broadcasters. We created presentations on Google Classroom about selected broadcasters including Alex Scott and Oprah Winfrey. In addition, classes were visited by Mrs Yearwood-May who taught them about her ancestral home of St Vincent. In Science, we have been learning about light and shadows and children created their own shadow puppet theatres and performed to their classes. Well done to the hardworking children 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.

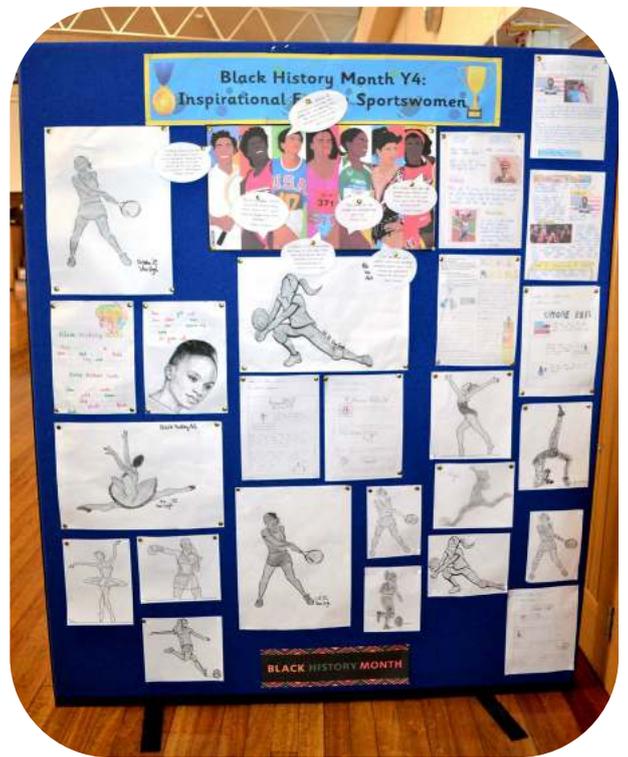
Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team.



Our children have been working really hard on their Black History Month work - with the theme being around inspirational women.
We have put the children's work on display in the hall.



Year 3 have looked at Authors.



Year 4 have looked at Sportswomen.



Year 5 have looked at politicians.



Year 6 have looked at broadcasters.

William Austin P.E.

Next half term the children will be studying different topics.

Year 3

Students will be interpreting music, learning a dance phrase and creating and evaluating their own sequence.

Year 4

Pupils will be playing the game of bowls. Lawn bowls is a sport in which the objective is to roll biased balls so that they stop close to a small ball known as a Jack. Over the half term children will develop their understanding of the game, practise the backhand and forehand draw shot. They will also learn when and how to play the blocker shot.

Year 5

Children in this year group will be refining gestures and movements, combining first and second dance phrases and evaluating and improving their own performance.

Year 6

Pupils will continue to refine their understanding of invasion games. They will practise individual and team defending, individual and team attacking and begin to evaluate and improve their own performance.

P.E kit competition

This half - term we have been quite impressed with the standard of kit which has been on show. Children should wear black bottoms, a white t-shirt and a black sweatshirt. All jewellery should be removed for both P.E and Games lessons. Neptune class have scored the most points over the last 7 weeks and have subsequently been rewarded with an additional P.E lesson - well done to all of the children in Neptune for looking so smart in their P.E kits!

Competitions

Over the last week we have entered two Town competitions - year 4 Tag-Rugby festival and an Indoor Athletics meeting.

Tag Rugby

There was a total of 9 schools from across the Town competing. Throughout the day our William Austin boys played some excellent rugby, lots of tries were scored and lots of fun was had!

Zumar (Hokusai) announced:

"it was a challenging day of rugby but I really enjoyed myself!"

Ibrahim (Hokusai) remarked:

"I scored 5 tries and felt so happy after each one, I loved it!"

Well done to all of the children who have trained so hard over the last few weeks.

Indoor Athletics

On Wednesday 19th October a team of year 5 and 6 athletes visited Inspire sports centre, Luton to participate in an athletics qualifying event. There was a total of 9 schools who participated in the athletics meeting. I am pleased to announce that the wonderful William Austin athletes finished the afternoon in 4th place - a super achievement as this means that they have qualified through to the next round which will take place after Christmas. Lots of training time ahead!



Amarah (Curie) exclaimed:

" it was a fantastic afternoon, quite hard but lots of fun!"

Zayn (Curie) said:

" I am so pleased that we have qualified, I love athletics!"



Mr Osborne