



Value of the Month 'Perseverance'

Dear families

William Austin Junior School continues to be a **GOOD** School!

I hope you have been able to read our Ofsted report via the link sent out to you, or on our website. We are really pleased to have Ofsted's judgement that William Austin Junior School continues to be a **good school**. As the inspectors said, it's not easy to retain the good judgement and I would like to acknowledge all the work done by the whole staff team to ensure that the education and care the pupils receive on a daily basis continues to be of the standard that Ofsted grades as good. I am very proud of the pupils and staff as I see the dedication and hard work that goes on in lessons and across the whole school. I know that Governors are also really pleased with our result and that they have also worked hard to support the school.

Below are a selection of the quotes from the Ofsted report that I think really sum up our school: "Pupils at William Austin Junior show the greatest respect to their friends and teachers. They are happy and safe."

"Pupils delight in coming to school and enjoy all aspects of 'WAJ life'."

"Pupils are well prepared for their next stage of learning."

"Bullying rarely happens. If it does, adults are quick to intervene."

"Leaders have high expectations of what pupils can do and remember. This is evident in the high-quality work pupils produce and their ability to talk knowledgeably about their learning."

"Pupils are engaged in their lessons and show pride in their work."

We do have areas for development which we have already started to make progress on. We have purchased Little Wandle as our phonics catch up programme for the pupils who need additional support with reading and we are reviewing some of our curriculum plans to ensure that the expectations of what pupils should learn are clear.

In other news, Jupiter class are visiting Stockwood Discovery centre today to meet with a class from St Margaret of Scotland Primary School as part of the School Linking project. I'm sure we will hear all about the visit in the next edition of the newspaper.

It's the turn of the second half of Y4 to start their swimming lessons - I know that they will enjoy this time in the pool as everyone needs to be able to swim as it is a vital life skill.

Some of our Y5/6 pupils will be attending a basketball tournament at Sixth Form today - good luck to them!

Enjoy your weekend.

Take care,

Mrs Adams

William Austin Wizards

South America	Eshal	Zayan
Asia	Ayaan	Amna
Europe	Assal	Manahal
Africa	Adam	Arisa
North America	Yousef	Diana
Hokusai	Ifrah	Ajan
Baker	Aadam	Abid
Hadid	Yusuf (H)	Iman (M)
Hepworth	Mahir	Sehar
Van Gogh	Haroon	Zayna
Mars	Qasim	Inaya
Venus	Hasan	Hafsa
Neptune	Eliyas	Tazmeen
Jupiter	Zadan	Amina
Saturn	Yusuf	Aaiza
Goodall	Adam	Sakariye
Curie	Najibath	Amaya
Hawking	Hamza	Yasmin
Jemison	Armaan	Mahima
Johnson	Isa	Samira

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:



Mars 96%



Cool Website

Do you enjoy Art? Visit the [Metropolitan Museum of Art's](#) amazing website! This amazing site allows you to explore 5000 years of art using their incredible time machine, and also offers a range of creative projects for you to try out at home!

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

The price is £12 per week.

Author of the Month - Michael Morpurgo

Michael Morpurgo discovered his talent for writing while working as a teacher. "We had to read the children a story every day and my lot were bored by the book I was reading. I decided I had to do something and told them the kind of story I used to tell my kids."

Some of the books available in the library by Michael Morpurgo that you could read are Mairi's Mermaid, Wartman, Cool or Billy the Kid. If you like animals you might like Little Foxes, Born to Run, The Dancing Bear, An elephant in the garden or The Butterfly Lion. For history fans try Arthur High King of Britain or Private Peaceful.

Upcoming Events

1.2.2023 -St Albans visit- Europe, Africa and North America classes
2.2.2023- St Albans visit -South America and Asia classes
3.2.2023- Number Day- Whole school.

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Dear Families,

It's great to see so many of our parents making an effort to get their children on time in the morning, such great role models to your children.

Just to remind you:-

All children SHOULD be in school at 8:40am, All children MUST be in school at 8:48am.

The school gate now closes on time, should you arrive late please go with your child to the school office.

Parking outside school—St Ethelbert's Gate

May we remind you **NOT** to drop off or park on the yellow zig zag lines. You may be aware Traffic Enforcement officers attended this area last week and several fines given to cars parked on yellow lines, cars obstructing a corner of a junction or at the end of a junction. Lets work together to prevent an accident happening or a child being knocked over.

Upcoming courses:

Healthy Packed Lunch Workshop

This workshop will run for two weeks 24th & 31st January 2:00pm - 3:00pm Luton Adult learning will be delivering.

Please do check text messages as we will be also running the following workshops after half-term. More information to follow nearer the time.

- Family Baking 27th Feb—27th March
- Encouraging positive behaviour, parenting workshop 7th March—28th March (TBC due to Ramadan)

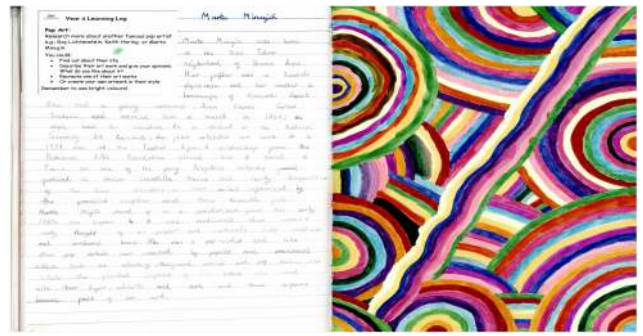


Take a look at this week's

Wow Work!

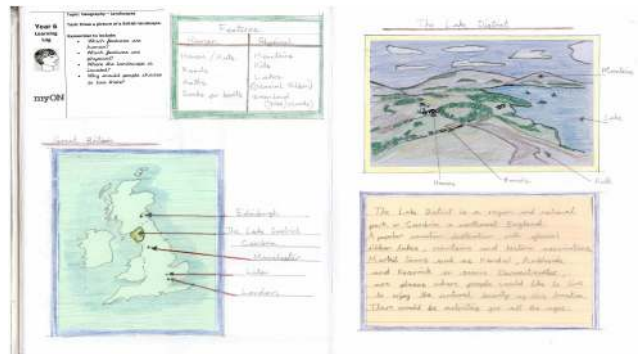
Ihsaan (Europe)

Sarah (Hadid)



Aaiza (Saturn)

Aliza (Hawking)



Singing Stars

I would just thought I would let you know the Singing Stars children who went to Luton Airport to sing over the Christmas period raised £49.24 during their performance. Considering we sang for two 30- minute slots it is pretty good going! In total the airport raised £3,401.38 over November/December from musical performances, so £1,700.69 will go to each of the charities (East Anglian Air Ambulance & Luton Food Bank). Mrs Slater

RE - Miss Haines

This term Year 3 are looking at the deeper meanings of some religious festivals including Diwali, Hannukah, Vaisakhi, Lent and Eid. They are enjoying learning about these festivals and noticing similarities between them. Year 4 are looking at Sikhism and will also visit a Gurdwara. They have enjoyed looking at artefacts and what Sikhs believe and how Sikhs worship. Year 5 are looking at what Humanists and Christians believe and what matters to them. They have enjoyed learning about forgiveness and love and codes for living their lives. Year 6 are looking at why some people believe in God and others do not. They have enjoyed learning about what other religions believe about their Gods.

Year 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic week of learning. In English, the children have written some amazing diaries of the day they had fun with a real-life animal. In Maths, we have finished off our work on multiplication and division and are now moving onto measuring. The children will be learning how to measure in mm, cm and m and how the units of measurement are linked together. In Science, we have continued to look at the Romans, focusing on what life was like for soldiers in the Roman army. The children are looking forward to our school trip to Verulamium next week, where they will be able to see the remains of a Roman town.

Miss Thingsaker & the Year 3 team

Year 4

The other half of year 4 have started swimming sessions and are thoroughly enjoying this experience; it is lovely to watch. During English, children have started to invent their own portal stories - the ideas that they are coming up with are fantastic. Teachers are really looking forward to reading them. In Science, we have started our unit on Electricity and children are really enjoying the practical element. Please encourage your children to log onto TTRS on a daily basis to complete their 10-minute sessions- this will really help them in learning their times tables. Thank you all for your support.

Mrs Chowdhury and the Year 4 team

Year 5

Year 5 have been working hard to create their own 'survival guide', we've been researching how to swim across piranha infested waters safely, wrestle a crocodile and have even had a go at lighting fires with Andy in the Willow garden! In maths, we've moved onto using formal written methods for division and will be solving problems soon. It is essential that children continue to learn their times tables so please do encourage the children to play TTRS and complete their ten minutes of Garage daily. Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team

Year 6

Year 6 teachers are very proud of how hard the children in their classes have been working this half term. We have now completed maths units on ratio and algebra with children showing a fantastic understanding of difficult concepts. Children are loving our science learning about adaptation. They have written some sensational explanation texts using cause and effect sentences to describe the adaptations of some diverse animals including sloths, iguanas and kangaroos. Additionally, children camouflaged moths across the playground for their classmates to find! We are beginning to practise a range of stitches in preparation for designing and sewing our embroideries. Thank you for your continued support .

Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team.

Please see attached MultiTeckz February Half Term Camp.

Please contact on the numbers provided if your child is interested in taking part.



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