



Value of the Month 'Forgiveness'

Dear Families

Number Day

Last Friday we held Number Day in aid of the NSPCC. All classes were able to base their number activities on different number stories. Y3's book was Wombat's Picnic- A fraction dilemma! Y4's book was Equal Shmequal, Y5's book was Zero the Hero and Y6's book was How Many Jelly Beans? Pupils and staff dressed up in a number theme. I saw human calculators, lots of numbered shirts and badges. The year groups also enjoyed their TTRS battles in the afternoon. We were able to raise £370.97 for this good cause. Thank you for supporting us.

Queen's Green Canopy

We have been gifted a tree, a beautiful Silver Birch, from London Luton Airport as part of the Platinum Jubilee Queen's Green Canopy project. On Thursday morning representatives from Luton Airport and Luton Borough Council attended our tree planting ceremony along with some of our Y5 pupils. We have planted it in our Willow Garden, where it will be able to cast shade, and be a living habitat for many small organisms.

Y5 History of Luton - Hats workshop

All this week, the Y5 pupils have had a visit from Wardown Museum bringing a hat workshop to school, to support the history of Luton topic. This is a great opportunity for pupils to learn all about our town and the way the hat industry helped shape it.

School Linking Project

Jupiter class had a lovely time meeting the class from St Margaret of Scotland Primary school at the Discovery centre last week. They were able to look around the centre and take part in activities with the other children. Read all about this in the Newsletter.

Half term

Enjoy your half term holiday, which starts tonight. Stay safe and enjoy the time with your families. School starts again on **Monday 20th February**.

Take care,



William Austin Wizards

South America	Aleem	Zaynab
Asia	Subhan	Maryam
Europe	Kamran	Aaliyah
Africa	David	Myesha
North America	Nabin	Caoimhe
Hokusai	Ifrac	Ajan
Baker	Shafey	Araf
Hadid	Eesa	Sarah-Marie
Hepworth	Dawud	Khadija
Van Gogh	Usman	Umniya
Mars	Salah Uddin	Mahreen
Venus	Yusuf	Hadya
Neptune	Aayan	Erika
Jupiter	Shehryar	Aminah
Saturn	Yayha	Amelia
Goodall	Salma	Zainab
Curie	Yahya	Amaya
Hawking	Danyl	Amelia
Jemison	Ahmad	Zainab
Johnson	Yasir	Joallerie

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:



Mars 96%



Cool Website

As this week is safer internet week, I wanted to share a couple of really useful websites. Firstly, the [BBC's Own It](https://www.bbc.com/news/health-61084444) is full of really great tips and advice, presented in a fun and engaging way.

Second, [Common Sense Media](https://www.common-sense-media.org/), is a fantastic advice to help parents and children make choices about which shows, films and games are suitable, with thorough descriptions of why films and games are rated the way they are, and can be used for discussions at home about why certain games or films are not appropriate.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Internet-Matters-Age-Guide-6-10s-Jan23.pdf>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Internet-Matters-Social-Media-Tips-Guide.pdf>

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

The price is £12 per week.

Upcoming Events

13.2.2023- Half term holidays

20.2.2023 - Children return to school

23.2.2023- Samba Drumming workshops- Year 4

Author of the Month - Enid Blyton

Enid Blyton was born on 11 August 1897 in East Dulwich, South London; she was an English children's writer whose books have been among the world's best-sellers since the 1930s. Enid Blyton was an incredibly prolific writer whose first published book was *Child Whispers*. It was a book of poetry and came out in 1922.

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Dear Families,

Half term is now approaching and we hope you all have a safe and fun holiday. Should you wish to attend the Family Baking course or Positive Behaviour please watch out for the text messages which will be sent as a reminder. These courses are both FREE, places are limited if you enrol please do attend.

Movie Day £3 with refreshments

Monday 13th Feb : 9:30am — 11:30am

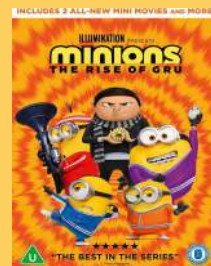
12:00pm— 2:00pm

Art & Craft £4 with refreshments

Tuesday 14th Feb: 9:30am—11:30am

12:00pm—2:00pm

If you would like to book your child on either or both of the workshops please call 01582 509121 and speak to the Family Workers.



HAPPY SAFE HOLIDAYS—See You Monday 20th February



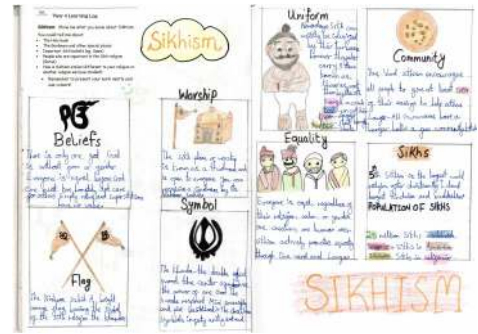
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Wow Work!

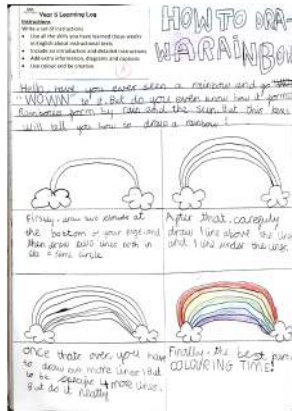
Laiba (North America)



Zayyan (Van Gogh)



Ehsan (Venus)



Zaynab (Johnson)



Jupiter class went to Stockwood Discovery Centre to meet St Francis class from St Margarets Primary School, as a part of our School Linking network. At first, we played some games to get to know each other. My favourite game was when we had to face someone and find something that we had in common. Aminah

My favourite part was when we made carriages! We were in groups, and had to build a quadro carriage. At the end, the smallest person had to climb inside and we had to pull them. It was so much fun! - Shehryar

Art - Mrs Zerva

Lots of exciting learning has been happening this term in Art. In Year 3, they are currently creating pieces of Art work that are linked to Romans. In Year 4, classes have enjoyed a unit of work with Pop Art creations. In Year 5, they are exploring the repeated patterns and they have studied various artists of that style. In Year 6, they are looking at creating textiles practising their stitching skills being inspired by Van Gogh's artwork.

Year 3

It has been a fantastic week in Year 3. We went on a fantastic trip to Verulamium to find out about life in the Roman times. The children were excited to see what was left of the city after it was destroyed by Boudicca and were amazed by all the artefacts in the museum. In English, we have been learning how to write a fable. The children have explored the features and created fantastic characters who have opposite character traits. We are looking forward to reading the fables the children create using their characters. In Maths, we have continued to explore measuring in different units, learning how to convert measurements to compare and calculate.

Miss Thingsaker & the Year 3 team

Year 4

Year 4 have been looking at nonsense poems in English and have really enjoyed creating their poem. In Maths, we have started to look at perimeter of shapes. Last week, we had number day and the afternoon was packed with fun activities. It was a very enjoyable afternoon. As we come to the end of this half term, I would like to thank you all for your continuous support. Please ensure that children are completing their learning log projects along with all the other homework over holidays. Have a restful half term.

Mrs Chowdhury and the Year 4 team

Year 5

We've been working hard to consolidate our learning about the history of Luton this week. Not only have we learnt about the impact of the railway, airport and the hat industry in Luton, but we've had a chance to experience it first-hand. Wardown Museum led workshops in school about the hat industry and the children experienced what it was like to work as a straw plaiter over a hundred years ago. We hope you have a restful break but do encourage the children to keep reading daily!

Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team

Year 6

Year 6 teachers are incredibly proud of the hard work and perseverance children in Year 6 have shown. This week, children completed practice tests in reading and maths, showcasing their ability and the progress they have made this year. In science, children have been learning about Darwin's adventure to the Galapagos Islands and the finches that helped him discover evolution by natural selection. In art, children have had the opportunity to practise a range of stitches—including cross-stitch, satin stitch and chain stitch—in preparation for their van Gogh-inspired artworks. Thank you for your continued support in helping your child with their daily reading. Have a restful half-term holiday.

Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team.



THE QUEEN'S GREEN CANOPY

William Austin P.E.

Year 3

Children have been working really hard on their gymnastics skills. They have produced a sequence with a partner which included rolling, jumping and balancing.

Year 4

Students have been working on their fitness. They have developed their balance, agility, co-ordination and speed through games and individual exercises.

Year 5

Pupils have developed their gymnastics skills - specifically looking at flight and sequencing ideas within small groups.

Year 6

Pupils have worked hard at improving their individual and team attacking play; focussing on speed and decision making.

P.E kit competition

Mr Britten and I have been very impressed with the kit. Please remember that the school expectation is that a black sweatshirt, black joggers and a white t-shirt is worn on P.E days. We also expect that all jewellery is removed so that children stay safe when participating.

Competitions

The school cricket team have competed in three fixtures since the turn of the year. I am pleased to say that we are through to the quarter - finals of the indoor league. Keep up the hard work.

The basketball team produced some really excellent performances at the tournament and also in the first round of league fixtures. The squad have been practising really hard to improve their attacking play - lay ups and shooting are now much improved.

Our school games organiser, Mrs Dockerill, alongside Mr Britten put on a glow in the dark dodgeball event. This was a fantastic opportunity for 15 of our children to have fun playing a much-loved sport in the dark!

The girls' football team continue to work hard in training on a Monday and Friday and as a result put in some excellent performances against Someries, Warden Hill and Whitefield. Keep up the hard work girls.

There are so many competitions and festivals due to take place in the next half of the school year. Please attend clubs and give yourself every opportunity of being selected to represent our school.