



### Value of the Month 'Respect'

Dear families

Firstly, may I welcome you all to William Austin Junior School, whether you are returning after the summer holiday or you are new to our school. It has been lovely to welcome the children back.

This is our first edition of *Junior News Express* of this school year and is a valuable form of communication between school and home. This newsletter allows us to share with you of all the exciting opportunities available to your child and celebrate their achievements. I am really impressed with the WOW work in this edition - these photos of work are also displayed in the hall. We publish the newsletter every fortnight on our school website [www.william-austin.com](http://www.william-austin.com) and you can find out lots of information about the school, including letters we send home to families. We are @WilliamAustinJS if you would like to follow us on Twitter.

We are inviting all pupils to scoot to school - we have scooter racks and the children can buy a lock from the school office to keep their scooter safe during the day.

Thank you for supporting us with the changes we made to the collection of pupils on the lower playground. This improved system ensures that it is really clear which adult is picking up each child and strengthens our safeguarding procedures.

Well done to the Wizards, nominated by their teachers, who got to sit on chairs in our Celebration Assembly today. Their names are displayed on the front of this newsletter.

I am looking forward to the year ahead and know that William Austin will go from strength to strength with your support and involvement. Please do get in contact with us on any aspect of school as we are always keen to meet parents and work together. We are always on the playground both mornings and after school - stop us for a chat, or call into the Family Centre to speak to the Family Workers.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine.

Mrs Adams

## William Austin Wizards

South America	Falak	Hassan
Asia	Hawa	Talha
Europe	Karnika	Eman
Africa	Hadid	Zoya
North America	Nabiha	Umar
Hokusai	Arsalan	Eshaal
Baker	Aahil	Haleemasadia
Hadid	Mysha	Adam
Hepworth	Summaiya	Umar
Van Gogh	Ruqiya	Assal
Mars	Sarah-Maria	Yusuf
Venus	Areej	Umar
Neptune	Myrah	Musa
Jupiter	Al	Iilas
Saturn	Asim	Umniya
Goodall	Ayyub	Amelia
Curie	Amina	Rafa
Hawking	Arslan	Wasima
Jemison	Usman	Shafia
Johnson	Yunus	Aleena

### Attendance

The class with the highest attendance is:

Hadid 100%



Please keep up to date with your dinner money

£2.50 per day & £12.50 per week.

Please download the SCOPAY app to pay for your school dinners, please come to the school office if you need any assistance.

<https://www.scopay.com/login>

Upcoming Events:

- 12.9.2023- Coffee Morning- Africa class
- 15.9.2023- Alice in Wonderland Production- Whole school
- 15.9.2023-Coffee Morning- North America class
- 18.9.2023- Coffee Morning- South America class
- 19.9.2023- Coffee Morning- Asia class
- 19.9.2023- Stone Age workshop- South America class
- 20.9.2023- Coffee Morning- Europe class
- 20.9.2023- School Fete- Whole school

### FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

Welcome back to all our families and a BIG WELCOME to our new Year 3 children and their families. It has been lovely to see you all walking so smartly dressed to school.

#### Working together, Lates & Attendance

Thank you to our families for ensuring their children are in school on time. Myself, Mrs Pal and Mrs Akhtar have been impressed with only a few calls to parents made. Let's work hard together to maintain the standard you have all shown by getting your children into school ready to learn by 8:40am.

Unfortunately attendance in the first week has been quite poor and we have conducted many home visits. As a school we expect at least 96% attendance for the academic year. Please try your best to help your child achieve this. If your child is very poorly and unable to attend it is expected you call the school office before 9:00am

#### Year 3 Coffee Mornings

Come along and meet us, Mrs Adams, Mrs Parkar and Mrs Douglas and the class teacher. Share with us how your child is settling into their class, any concerns or general questions you may have. A text message has gone out letting you know what day your class has been invited.

Mon 11th	9am to 12pm	Sewing for Adults
	2pm	Luton Adult Learning, Get into working in a school or nursey setting
Wed 13th	10:30am to 1:30pm	Sewing for Adults
Thur 14th	9:15am to 11:00am	English for Beginners
	1:30pm to 3:30pm	Make Up
Fri 15th	9am to 11:30am	Community Cooking

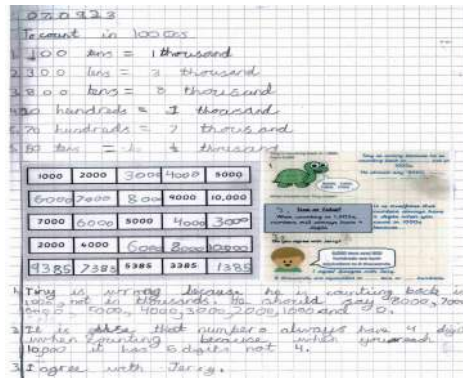


# Wow Work!

South America— Aliyah



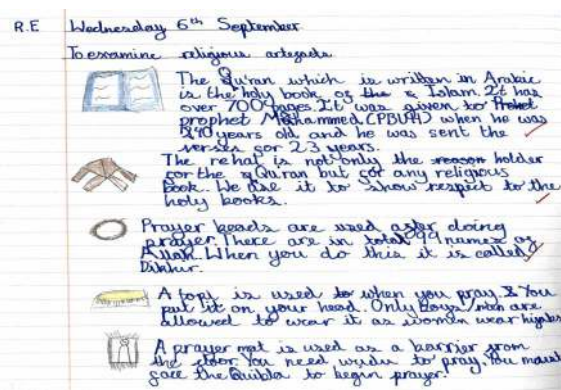
Hokusai— Saad



Mars - Talha



Goodall—Adyan



## Year 3

Year 3 have made an amazing start to the new year. We have been very impressed with they way the children have quickly learnt to navigate the school and settle into their new classes. All the children look very smart in their new school uniforms. Please remember that the children wear white t-shirts for PE and white shirts on uniform days. Reading and times tables are a big focus for Year 3. Please hear your child every day and sign their reading record. TTRS is an online times table programme which the children can access from home. Please encourage your child to play regularly to support the times tables they are learning in school. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's teacher.

Miss Thingsaker and the Year 3 team

## Year 4

The new Year 4 children have come back to school with an incredible enthusiastic and ready-to-learn mindset. We will be exploring the Saxons in history this year and children will have a chance to explore some ancient artefacts. We have started our science topic of solids, liquids and gases and we will conduct an experiment about air. The children have been incredibly diligent in completing their daily homework tasks i.e. reading and English and we hope that this continues. Please continue to encourage the children to play TTRS at home and practise their times tables. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Patel and the Year 4 team

## Year 5

Year 5 have come to school eager to learn and ready to show off their best efforts. We started by travelling back in time to ancient Greece and explored a range of artefacts to learn about the past. In maths we're exploring place value and in English we're laying the foundations with some grammar. Please do ask the children what they've learnt this week. Remember to encourage your child to complete their daily reading, English and maths homework - TTRS battles will be set next week.

Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team

## Year 6

Year 6 children have returned to school with a fantastic attitude and plenty of enthusiasm. They've settled quickly into school routines and lessons and are enjoying the new topics. Children are working hard to read, write and decompose numbers up to ten million in maths. Whilst in geography, they have been finding out about the structure of Earth. Thank you for continuing to hear your child read each evening and sign their reading records, as well as supporting them with their English and maths homework.

Mr Gilligan and the year 6 Team

# In other news

SCOPAY - Can we ask all parents to sign up for SCOPAY. This is the system you use currently for paying dinner money. Going forward we are planning to add all school trips and parents' evenings to this App. Can we please ask all parents even if you have free school meals to download the App in preparation for this. If you haven't registered before then you will need a link code. Please contact the school office.

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Medical Room - If any children require medication or inhalers in school can you please ensure they are brought in to school and a consent form completed, along with any relevant care plans as soon as possible please.

To all parents please be reminded we are a nut free school, please be mindful when packing packed lunches please avoid peanut butter, Nutella or any thing nut based.

Individual school photos will take place **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** Please ensure all children are in full school uniform. Classes that have PE on a Friday please send your child in full school uniform.

Harvest Festival will take place on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September** further information to follow with donations greatly appreciated.

