



Value of the Month 'Democracy'

20th October 2023

Message from the Head

Dear families

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

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Parents' evening this week. It was lovely to see so many of you. I know that the teachers were really pleased to be able to share how well your child has settled in their new class and celebrate their achievements so far.

Congratulations to all the children whose poems were chosen for the poetry competition. The standard was high. I know the children really enjoyed writing them - hopefully some of them will be chosen to be published! Thank you to Mrs Compton for organising this competition.

TTRS battles have been taking place this week - well done to those children who battled it out in front of their year group! Thank you to Mrs Parkes for organising this and Miss Rahman for setting all the laptops up.

Y3 enjoyed their trip to Celtic Harmony last week - despite the rain! I heard lots of excited children telling me how much they enjoyed travelling back in time to the stone age!

Thank you for supporting World Mental Health day by helping your child wear a yellow accessory. The Get Britain Talking homework was great at helping us all think about our worries and how we can overcome them.

We say goodbye and send our best wishes to Mrs Faruk today as she starts her maternity leave and hope she has a good rest before her baby is due.

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 31st October.**

Enjoy your half term break.

Mrs Adams

Upcoming Events:
23.10.2023- Half term holiday
30.10.2023- Training Day
31.10.2023- Children return to school
6.11.2023- Indian Drumming- Year 3

SCO PAY

Can we remind ALL parents to please download the Sco pay app, going forward all trips and consent forms will be sent via this method. So please if you haven't then download the app.

Please keep up to date with your dinner money
£2.50 per day & £12.50 per week.



William Austin Wizards

South America	Rayha	Abubaqir
Asia	Hashim	Maryiam
Europe	Eshaal	Azan
Africa	Younus	Haleema
North America	Besan	Yousaf
Hokusai	Sharina	Subhan
Baker	Ubaid	Laiba
Hadid	Andre	Tahia
Hepworth	Muhammad A	Bateel
Van Gogh	Amirah	Faheem
Mars	Andre	Arifa
Venus	Sumaya	Raees
Neptune	Islam	Hajrah
Jupiter	Nabilah	Abdul -Moiz
Saturn	Zayaan	Aleena
Goodall	Armaan	Yahya
Curie	Zadan	Thifah
Hawking	Maryam	Asadullah
Jemison	Zunairah	Abdullah
Johnson	Imtiyazz	Inayah

Attendance Target = 96%+				
Attendance for w/e 06.10.23			Attendance for w/e 13.10.23	
	Classes who met target	Most improved attendance		Most improved attendance
Y3	Asia Europe	Asia	Y3	Europe Asia North America — 100% South America
Y4	Hepworth Baker Hokusai	Baker	Y4	Hepworth Baker — 100% Van Gogh Hokusai
Y5	Mars Jupiter — 100% Neptune	Mars	Y5	Mars Venus
Y6	Jemison Johnson Curie	Curie	Y6	Jemison Johnson — 100% Curie Hawking

FAMILY CENTRE NEWS

We hope all your children have now settled into their year groups and are ready for their half term holiday.

At the Family Centre we have had an extremely busy half term. It was fantastic to have so many of our mums attend the 'Working in a school or Nursery setting' course facilitated by Luton Adult Education. Courses with Luton Adult Education will continue on an employment theme with the next enrolment for 'Passport to Employment' on **6th November 1:00pm**. This course helps you to write your CV, looks at how to apply for jobs and match your skills.

Please look out for text messages and look on our timetable as our current workshops will continue with a couple of new courses added after the holidays. As the days get shorter and colder please ensure your children are wearing their coats, hats and gloves to school. Mums after dropping your children to school pop into the Family Centre for a hot drink and something sweet on a **Wednesday morning 9:00am—10:30am**. Please continue to support our two mums who run this.

Thank you to parents who attended our **Family Forum**. It was great to hear your views. Mrs Adams and Mrs Parkar did listen and changes where possible have been made. Minutes are on the school website under 'Family Centre, Family Forum'

40% of children live in homes that are struggling to make ends meet. If you need help during the holidays or if you need on going help, these amazing charities can help you.

Discover Islam 01582452356
Luton Food Bank 01582725838
Level Trust 07480753905

And finally Mrs Slater will be taking a 6 month career break and will be returning back to school in May. I know you will continue to support Mrs Akthar and Mrs Pal.

Pease call 01582 509121 for support, advice or more information.

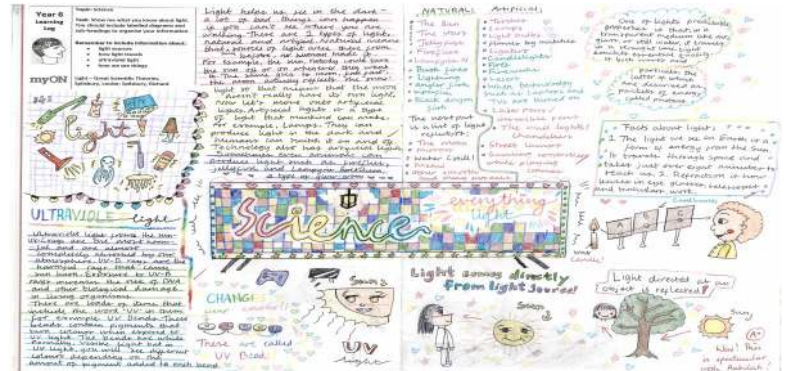


Wow Work!

Saturn—Homa



Hawking—Aabidah



In order to further promote our love of mathematics at WAJS, we have introduced 'Maths Ambassadors,' to provide children's voice in how we promote maths throughout the school. Maths Ambassadors are chosen for their love of maths, their willingness to share this passion with others and enthusiasm to share their problem-solving strategies. Part of the job of the maths ambassador is to demonstrate exemplary mental maths and be an excellent role model for others, help with maths events across the school, support pupils with maths at lunchtimes, meet with the maths lead regularly to improve the love of maths across school, help create displays to promote maths within school and celebrate maths achievements across the school.

It has been an exciting week in Year 3. We have visited Celtic Harmony to find out what it was like to live in the Stone Age. The children learnt how Stone Age people made a fire for cooking, went hunting and gathering for food and built Stone Age shelters to keep themselves warm and dry. It was a fantastic day and the children have not stopped talking about it since. In Maths, we are beginning to look at formal written methods for addition and subtraction. In English, we have been writing our own poems this week. The children have some amazing ideas for what they are going to put into their magic treasure chest.

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team.

Want to make a real
difference to children,
parents and schools?

Apply to be a
**School Admission
Appeals Panel
Volunteer**



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By E-mail

Dear Potential Volunteer,

RE: Can you volunteer to be on a School Admission Appeal Panel?

Unfortunately, it is not always possible to offer parents/carers a school place of their choice, due to popular schools being oversubscribed. The School Admission Appeal Panel ensure a fair hearing for parents or carers who are not satisfied with the Admission Authority's decision to refuse their child a place at a preferred school.

The School Appeals Panel undertake hearings for the majority of schools within Luton and are actively looking to recruit new volunteer panel members. This role would be perfect for anyone aged 18 or older, who has good listening skills, is interested in education and wants to make a real difference to children, parents and schools.

A school admission appeals panel is independent from the council and is made up of three people. Appeals usually take place remotely via video conferencing. Full training will be given to those who want to volunteer on the panel.

The role is unpaid but out of pocket expenses such as travel and childcare costs will be reimbursed.

Should you be interested in applying or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact michelle.lilly-hills@luton.gov.uk or visit our frequently asked questions page on our website using the following link;

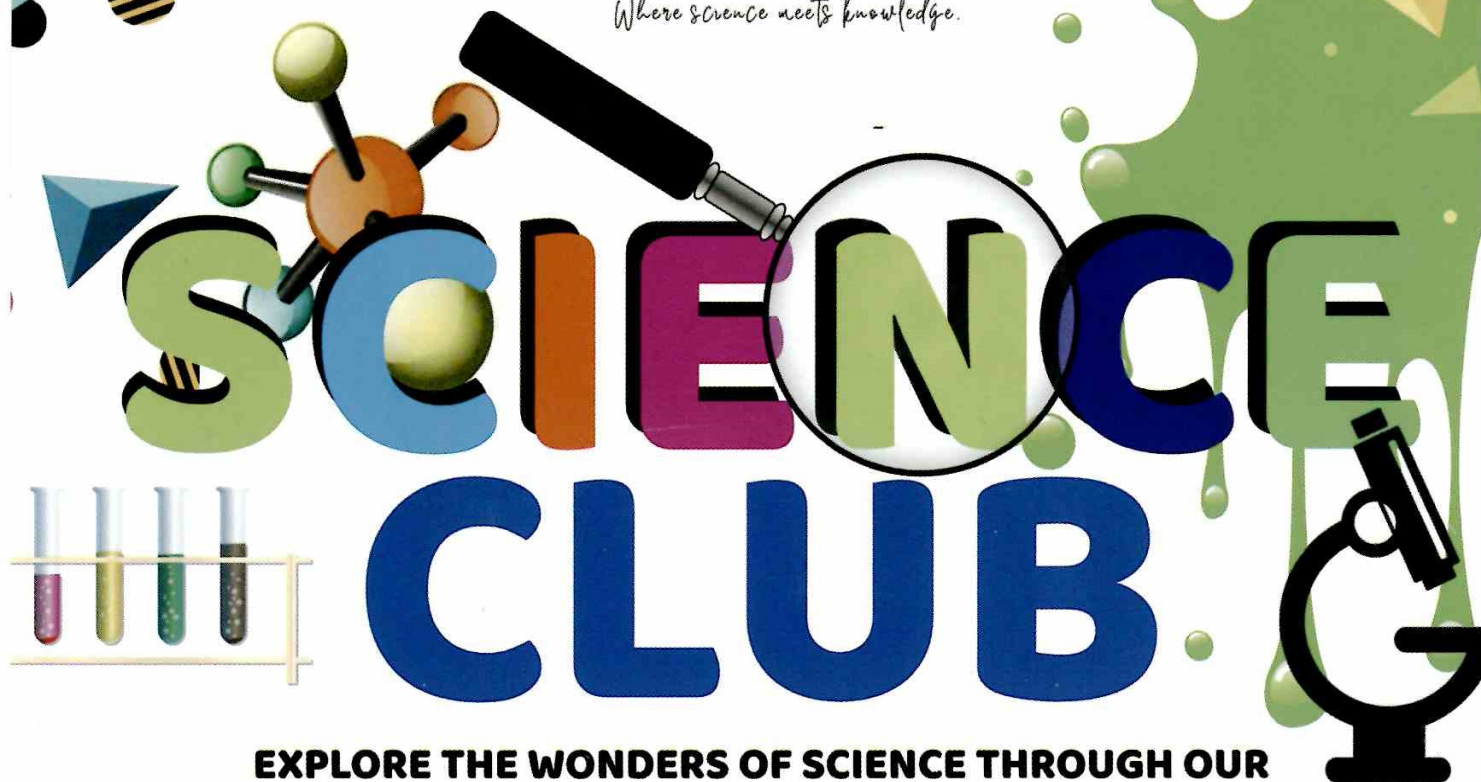
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**Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th, Wednesday
25th October**

**Venue - William
Austin Junior
School LU3 1UA**

10am-3pm

Ages 5-10

£20 a day

Contact-

£50 for all 3 days

Tuition@thesciencecentre.com

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**Snacks and drinks
provided, please
bring a packed
lunch!**

