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Value of the Month

15th December 2023

# Message from the Head

#### 'Teamwork'

# Illiam Austin Wizards

Nafiz Alayna Inayaat Asia Aaryan Inaaya Sufiyan Europe Taha **Africa Asiyah** Sami North America Menaal Zainab Safaan Aayan Baker Hassan Hadid Adyan Mysha Hepworth Inayah Aleem Faz Van Gogh Zainab Zahra Musa Mars A'Ishah Venus Amaad Maumunah Neptune Araf Yahya Jupiter **Imaan** Zayna Mihran Goodall Amelia Haider Curie Labaik Hassan Inayah Haaris Hawkina Eesa **Jemison** Barakah Johnson Ibrahim A Hadya

Attendance Target = 96%+					
Attendance for w/e 08.12.23			Attendance for w/e 01.12.23		
	Classes who met target	Most im- proved attendance		Classes who met target	Most improved attendance
Y3	South America	No Class	Y3	Asia South America Africa	South America
Y4	Van Gogh	Van Gogh	Y4	None	No Class
Y5	Neptune Saturn Jupiter	Venus	Y5	Neptune Jupiter Mars Saturn	Jupiter .
Y6	Curie Johnson	Jemison	Y6	Goodall Johnson Curie	Goodall

#### Dear families

This is the last Newsletter of the year before we all take a well-deserved break. Thank you for the support you have shown us since we all returned to school in September. We know that the pupils have tried their best in school and have made progress in all aspects of their work and development.

JUNIOR NEWS EX

Christmas Assemblies It was lovely to see so many parents at our Christmas assemblies today. This year Mrs Slater and her team of busy helpers worked together to create props for the scenes from Polar Express. Singing Stars performed 'Winter's Night' and a group of children performed in the play. Reverend Luke from St Andrews Church on Blenheim Crescent talked about Christmas and why it's a special time of the year for many people. Well done to all our performers and thank you to Mrs Slater and all the staff and children who helped create the scenery.

Christmas Jumper Day - Save the Children Thank you for your support for this event. The children looked great in their festive jumpers. We raised £308.65.

Singing Stars

This week our choir has been singing at the airport to make all those travellers feel really festive. Their favourite songs to sing were Must Be Santa and Frosty The Snowman.

**Enrichment** 

Last week our Y5 classes visited The Hitchin British School to learn about life as a Victorian child as part of their History topic. I think they preferred their classrooms with all the modern Smartboards, rather than having to use pen and ink! They were able to dress up, have a tour of the Headmaster's house and tried to work out pounds, shillings and pence.

3 of our JLT got to visit Luton University and take part in a Voice of the Child conference where they were able to share their views about what they like and dislike about Luton. Thank you to Ms Clarke and Mr Britton for taking them there.

Next week the pupils will be looking forward to a theatre group performance of Cinderella, which I know will be fantastic, followed by parties in the afternoon.

Term finishes on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December and the first day back for pupils is **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024**.

Please keep yourselves safe over the holiday and enjoy the time at home.

Finally, I would like to wish all those families celebrating, a very Merry Christ-mas and to all of you a very happy new year. Happy holidays to all pupils and staff and we will see all the children back in school on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January** 2024.

Mrs Adams

19.12.2023 - Cinderella Production - Whole school

19.12.2023 - Christmas parties-pm 20.12.2023 - Christmas holidays start

**√2015** 3.1.2024- Training Day

4.1.2024- Children return to school

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

#### Dear Families

#### **FAMILY CENTRE NEWS**

Thank you to all our families for your continued support in 2023. Please see below for courses starting in January 2024:

Beginners English Class—Starting on Thursday 11th January at 9:15am—11.00am (£40)

Hairstyling—Starting on Thursday 11th January for 5 weeks at 1:30-3:30pm (£25)

Parent Coffee Morning - Wednesday 9:00am to 10:30am

Thank you to our two mums who host this event for their kind donations of cakes, croissants and savoury pastries. Great to see mums supporting. Please do continue to come, ask your family members who also are welcome.

Our Lives— starting on Wednesday 10th January for 6 weeks at 1:00pm—2:30pm

Join us for this exciting 6 week Urdu programme from Luton All Women's Centre exploring life in the UK for a South Asian woman.

Community Cooking - Friday 9:00am-11:30am

Come along, meet new ladies share recipes, techniques and enjoy tasting the food. If you are interested please give us a call.

Be a Better Me - Enrolment—Monday 22nd January Times to be confirmed

Course starts Monday 29th January 1pm-3pm. Course ends Monday 4th March

Stay & Play - Will resume on Tuesday 9th January 9.15am-10.30am

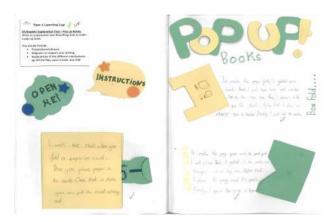
We wish you a happy and peaceful holiday and look forward to seeing all our families in 2024.



Africa-Udayvir



Baker - Israr



Jupiter-Nabilah



Curie-Safiyyah



#### Year 3

It has been a busy few weeks in Year 3. In English, the children are busy writing instructions explaining how to catch, wash or make friends with a creature. If you are wanting to wash a woolly mammoth or catch a phoenix then please do ask a Year 3 child to help. In Maths, we have been looking at the 2, 4 and 8 times tables. The children have explored how these are linked and are now experts at creating fact families. In Science, the children have really enjoyed making their own fossils and last week they were lucky enough to meet three real life baby dinosaurs. All the children bravely stroked the plant eating dinosaurs but the baby t-rex was best looked at from a distance!

Miss Thingsaker and the Year 3 team

#### Year 4

Year 4 have been working incredibly hard and creatively on their explanation texts. They have been using the blue-print they created of their machines in their learning logs, to write all about how they work. In Maths, we have continued our multiplication tables learning and looked at factor pairs and how to use them. We have been exploring the volume of sound and sound waves by making paper cup telephones in science. Thank you for your continued support with Times Tables Rockstars and reading. It is so important for children to keep practising at home for at least ten minutes a day for both. Have a restful break!

Mr Patel and the Year 4 team

#### Year 5

Year 5 travelled back in time to the Victorian period last week - our trip to the Hitchin Schools Museum was a blast from the past. This was in preparation for our work next half term about Luton in the past. We got dressed up, took a tour of a Victorian Headteacher's house and even experienced life as a Victorian school child. We're definitely happier without the dunce's hat and cane - though some of us enjoyed it! Do ask your child about their Victorian experience.

Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 Team

#### <u>Year 6</u>

Year 6 enjoyed a fabulous half term of hard work. Children have enjoyed investigating electricity using the circuit components; they discovered what happens when more resistors are added into a circuit and which materials conduct and insulate electricity. A few weeks ago, we visited the RAF Museum in Hendon. Children had the opportunity to learn about lots of different aircraft and partook in a workshop to learn about air-raids. As well as this, children designed and baked some fantastic-looking bread! Have a restful and wonderful Christmas break with your families.



A massive thank you to all our families who came and supported the recent Book Fair. There was a wide range of fantastic books available for the children. In total, over £1200 was spent which has resulted in us raising over £675 to spend on books for the children in our school. Well done to everyone for supporting this event.

Please continue to support us with your child's reading by remembering to read with your child every evening and to sign their reading record books- thank you.

Mrs Compton - English Subject Leader



Together we have raised £675.49 for our school to spend on **FREE BOOKS** 







Throughout the holidays we will be running our myON Reading Competition. Please encourage your child to spend sometime logging in and reading. There will be prizes awarded to the boy and girl in each year that have read the most words - Happy Reading!







Please remember should any of our families or community member need any help or support during the holidays please call one of the following numbers:-

### Discover Islam — 01582 452356

They support with foodbank vouchers, a free 'Curry Kitchen' on a Friday evening from 6:30pm, 37c Upper George Street.

### Luton Food Bank — 01582 725838

They support by giving food parcels and will signpost to other relevant agencies if need be. You can also visit their website for more information.

## Salvation Army— 01582 450038

Emergency food open 8:00am—10:00pm, 1 Vicarage Street, lutonsa.co.uk

### Please call 01582 509121 for more information

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