



Dear families

Online safety

Please can I ask that you supervise your children when they are online. This week I have been told about a hacker who befriended one of our pupils and went on to steal 'V bucks' from his Fortnite account and his other online games. This also resulted in a parent being scammed out of £50. The hacker has also tried to steal tokens from the pupil's friends in his contacts list. I cannot stress the importance of online safety, and watching what your children are doing. The pupil said that the person was a friend who sounded a couple of years older than him and that he met this person online, not in real life. Please be aware that hackers can use voice changing technology to sound like a child. We teach our pupils how to be safe online, but please reinforce these messages at home also.

Enrichment

This week some of our Y4 and Y5 girls have attended the 'This Girl Can' tournament where they took part in four different events. Some of our Y3 and Y4 boys have been taking part in a football tournament. Thank you to Mr Osborne and Mr Britten for taking them.

British Science Week

Each day at break this week we have been selling science toys as part of British Science Week. Thanks to all the parents who have supported this and the staff who have set up the stall and sold the gadgets! The theme this year is Curiosity - what's your question? We have been thinking about scientific questions during lessons this week.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

Thank you for all your support with the pupils' costumes - we had an amazing day in school with so many different book characters. I saw lots of Harry Potter and Hermione Granger costumes, super heroes, Matildas, Where's Wally and even a Paddington Bear! The pupils all made mini book covers which have been displayed around the school. Prizes were awarded to the best World Book Day Learning Log in each class. Thank you to Mrs Compton for organising this day for us all to enjoy. Well done to all the staff who also dressed up - you all looked fabulous! Have a look at some of the costumes by clicking on this link. <https://www.william-austin.com/images/world-book-day-2026/>



Breakfast Club - free childcare

If you need child care, with or without a breakfast option, please remember to send your child in from 8:00 -8:40 so they can join in our free breakfast club. This is run by the family workers and as well as breakfast there are lots of activities your child can take part in. It's a lovely way for your child to start the day - doing lots of different activities and really enjoying spending time with friends. Our family workers take your child to their class ready for 8:40.



Parents' Evening Thursday 26th March

You should have received information about our Spring Term parents' evening. Please book using SCOPAY. We will be selling books and there will be the chance for you to complete our annual parents' survey using the Ofsted 'parent view' questions. Your views of our school are really important to us as they help shape what we do.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Adams

Attendance Target = 96%+					
Attendance for w/e 27.02.26			Attendance for w/e 06.03.26		
	Classes who met target 96% +	Most improved attendance		Classes who met target 96% +	Most improved attendance
Y3	South America Europe Asia	Europe	Y3	South America Europe Africa	South America
Y4	Hokusai Hepworth	Baker	Y4	Hokusai Van Gogh	Van Gogh
Y5	Mars Jupiter Saturn Neptune	Neptune	Y5	Mars Venus Jupiter Saturn - 100% Neptune - 100%	Venus
Y6	Goodall Hawking Johnson curie	Hawking	Y6	Goodall Curie Johnson Hawking Jemison	Jemison

William Austin Wizards



- South America** Rebecca Harim
- Asia** Nishiv Aneesa
- Europe** Aarya Musa
- Africa** Jabanath Naxhije
- Hokusai** Ilyana Rayaan
- Baker** Essa Farah
- Hepworth** Insha-Ali Musa
- Van Gogh** Aisha Salman
- Mars** Aadam Maryam
- Venus** Nafiz Myiesha
- Neptune** Umama Maryam
- Jupiter** Aizah Rayyan
- Saturn** Inayaat Adam
- Goodall** Andrei Nafessah
- Curie** Taqiyah Faheem
- Hawking** Diana Mikaeel
- Jemison** Inayah Shuraim
- Johnson** Subhan Hawa

Take a look at this week's

WOW Work!

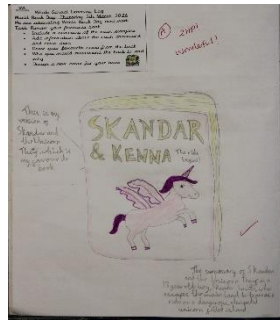
South America - Zainab



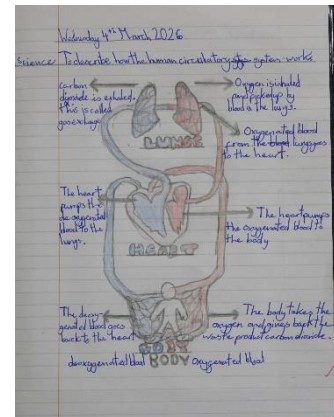
Hokusai - Sufiyan



Neptune - Maryam



Jemison - Yusuf



Geography - Mr Vetese

This half term we're working on some really interesting topics in our Geography lessons across the school. Year 3 are learning about Italy, where the country is, it's physical and human features and comparing it to the UK. In Year 4 they're learning all about chocolate, where it comes from, it's journey across the world and how it ends up on our shop shelves. Year 5 are taking a close look at Alaska, learning about the physical and human features like year 3, but also about the natural disasters and the unique culture found there. Last half term year 6 learned all about landscapes and different settlements.

Year 3

What a busy couple of weeks we have had in Year 3! In English, the children have created their own mythical creatures and written some really interesting information texts all about them. In Maths, we have finished our fractions unit and are now moving on to measuring mass and capacity. This is a perfect opportunity to get your children to help you with the cooking this week as they will be experts at reading scales. Last Thursday, we also celebrated World Book Day and we were blown away by their costumes. The children also created some lovely artwork in the afternoon which are now proudly displayed around the classrooms and the Year 3 corridor. Thank you again for your ongoing support.

Mrs High and the Year 3 team.

Year 4

We are really impressed with how enthusiastic and engaged the children have all been this term. In English, we are looking at balanced arguments and our model text 'Should Jack be sent to jail?' is based on the fairytale Jack and the beanstalk. The children will write their own argument, based on other well-known fairytales. In Maths, we are starting to explore the world of decimals by learning to recognise and write equivalents for tenths and hundredths. Thank you for your continued support in helping children complete their daily times tables on TTRS and continuing to listen to them read.

Mr Patel and the Year 4 team.

Year 5

Last week, we celebrated World Book Day and had a wonderful time creating our very own reading buddies! In English, we have now begun our new unit on persuasive writing. We're basing our work on The Nowhere Emporium by Ross MacKenzie, and we can't wait to invite you to explore the magical 'wonders' we'll be designing! In Maths, we are continuing our learning journey through fractions, decimals and percentages, building confidence in how they link together. This week is also Science Week, and to kick things off, we're investigating which paper aeroplane design can fly the furthest. We're testing, tweaking, and applying our scientific thinking to discover what really makes the best flyer!

Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 team.

Year 6

This week in science, children have been learning about the various parts of the heart and the different types of blood vessels; they have produced some fantastic labelled diagrams using scientific vocabulary. In English, children designed and drew their own dragons. They used this to create stunning information texts about its appearance, diet and behaviour. We have begun our learning about statistics in maths: children are learning to read and construct line graphs, bar charts and pie charts. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team.

Family Centre

Dear Families,



Well done to all our parents for getting their children to school on time!

Lateness calls have reduced, children are arriving to school on time

8:48am (doors open 8:40am)

Family Workers have to follow a lateness procedure which we would like to share with you.

1st late more than 5minutes - telephone call to parents

2nd late - telephone call to parents

3rd late - letter home to parents

4th late - home visit, Family Workers come to have a chat to support with improving lateness.

5th late - Meeting with Mrs Ramzan

Should your child be late for whatever reason you **MUST** escort them to the school office.

Holiday Clubs - Energise Luton

Bookings are now open online for Camp on Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April.

www.energiseluton.co.uk, or call 01582 400272.

Easter Holiday Clubs

Please look out for emails / text messages for more details on clubs running during Eater holidays.

WAJ Breakfast Club



The Benefits of Eating Breakfast

Studies have shown that children who don't have a healthy morning meal maybe restless, sluggish and lack focus in the classroom. This can hinder their ability to learn and lead to behaviour problems.

Breakfast at William Austin Junior School is **free**, **it's fun and it's for everyone!** Why not book your child in and give it a go! Your child is welcome to come for one day or for the whole week, it's your choice.

Call school office or Family Workers 01582 509121

Please call 01582 509121 for support, advice or information

WIN £100 AND HELP IMPROVE THE MORNING SCHOOL RUN!

We have been selected by the Department for Education to help design a national Breakfast Club programme that works for every family's morning school run.



THE ASK

A 10 minute online survey.



WHO

Everyone! We're really interested to hear from those who **don't** use the breakfast club too!



Designed by parents, for parents

Scan this QR code, complete the 10 minute survey and have the chance to win £100!

Help ensure breakfast clubs work for all families!



Turn your road into a **Play Street**

What is a play street?

A Play Street can be created when a road is closed off to traffic for up to three hours, up to four times a year. This is so that children can have a space to play freely and safely right outside their homes.

Why have play streets?

- They transform streets into vibrant, safe space where people come together
- They promote physical activity, social interaction and a sense of belonging
- They allow children and adults to get to know their neighbours
- They provide a good example of what active citizenship can achieve



To find out more, or get involved, email PlayStreets@luton.gov.uk, scan the QR code or visit luton.gov.uk/playstreets

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