



Dear Families

**Enrichment**

Y4 visited Hazard Alley last week to learn about keeping safe in a variety of different situations. This builds upon their work in PSHE. They all had a great time, and learnt so much about road safety, home safety and online safety, to name a few of the different scenarios. Thank you to the staff who accompanied them on this trip.

Y3 classes have visited Whipsnade this week as part of their English unit on persuasive writing. They are going to try and persuade us to visit the zoo. I am looking forward to reading their work and I bet they will all persuade me to visit!

The JLT have been working with Luton Council to give them feedback on what makes a good museum and visited RAF Hendon and the Discovery Centre. Their feedback has helped shape a new exhibition in the Discovery Centre all about the history of Vauxhall. They attended a grand opening this week to see how their ideas have been used in the exhibition.

**SATs week Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

The Y6 SATs will take place next week, starting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May until Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May. The children and staff have worked really hard and I know that the children will do their best and we will be proud of their achievements. This is such an important week - please make sure your child attends every day. We will be offering our SATs breakfast to all Y6 pupils next week - you will have received a letter about this - so please sign up if you would like this for your child.

**IEP meetings**

Thank you to all the parents who came in to meet with the teachers about your child's IEP (Individual Education Plan). It's always great to share how they are making progress.

**70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

William Austin is going to be 70 years old and so we are celebrating next Friday! You will have received a letter highlighting the activities taking place. I was here for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, our golden, and can't believe we are now celebrating our platinum anniversary. Much has changed since 1956 when the school was officially opened, but our values have remained the same. We do all we can for our children to ensure they are safe, happy and have the best outcomes. Thank you for all your support - we value working in partnership with you all. We are all looking forward to an amazing day!

Take care and have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Adams

Attendance Target = 96%+					
Attendance for w/e 24.04.26			Attendance for w/e 01.05.26		
	Classes who met target 96% +	Most improved attendance		Classes who met target 96% +	Most improved attendance
Y3	South America Europe Africa	South America	Y3	Europe Africa	Asia Europe
Y4	Hokusai Van Gogh	Van Gogh	Y4	Hokusai Van Gogh	Baker
Y5	Venus	Venus	Y5	Venus – 100% Mars Jupiter Saturn	Jupiter
Y6	Curie	Curie	Y6	Johnson Hawking Jemison Curie	Jemison

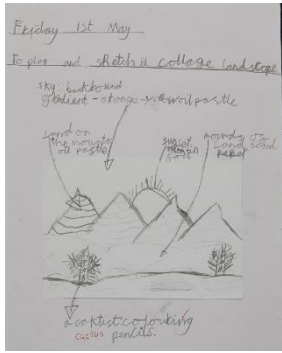
*William Austin Wizards* 

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| <b>South America</b> | Asiya        | Mustafa     |
| <b>Asia</b>          | Ilma Noor    | Muhammad K  |
| <b>Europe</b>        | Halima Sadia | Saqib       |
| <b>Africa</b>        | Muhammad     | Haniya      |
| <b>Hokusai</b>       | Kinza        | Aleem       |
| <b>Baker</b>         | Aadam        | Hanifa      |
| <b>Hepworth</b>      | Daniel       | Summaya     |
| <b>Van Gogh</b>      | Samaan       | Safeera     |
| <b>Mars</b>          | Riley        | Nabiha      |
| <b>Venus</b>         | Rayha        | Saad        |
| <b>Neptune</b>       | Fatima       | Eesa        |
| <b>Jupiter</b>       | Zahra        | Habban      |
| <b>Saturn</b>        | Samina       | Abdul-Rafey |
| <b>Goodall</b>       | Ibrahim      | Hadeeqa     |
| <b>Curie</b>         | Arkan        | Jomilojui   |
| <b>Hawking</b>       | Aminah       | Murtaza     |
| <b>Jemison</b>       | Maya         | Ali         |
| <b>Johnson</b>       | Adam         | Manha       |

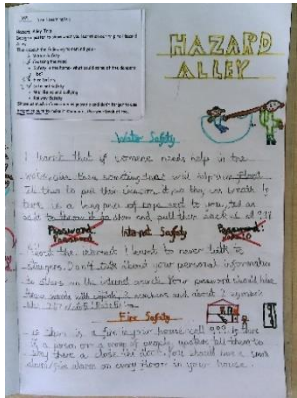
Take a look at this week's

# WOW Work!

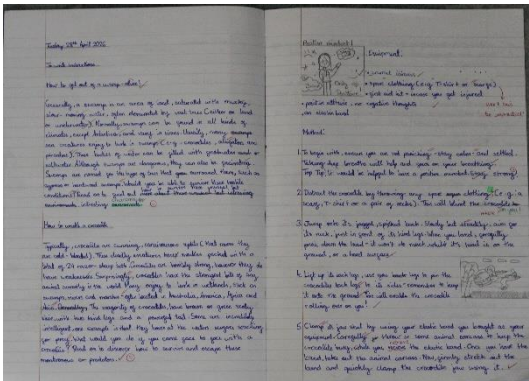
Europe - Yusuf



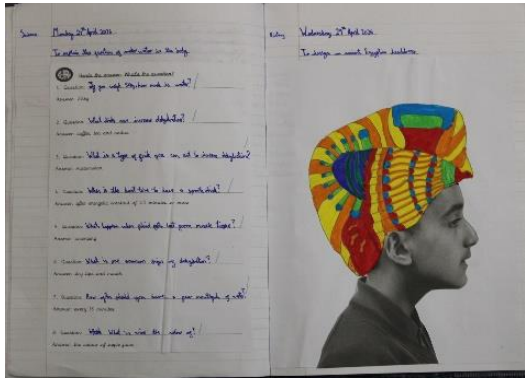
Van Gogh - Ali



Mars - Maryam



Goodall - Musa



## Year 3

It has been an exciting few weeks for Year 3. The children loved going on their trip to Whipsnade Zoo this week. They enjoyed looking at the different animals and the souvenir shop was a great hit! The children will now learn how to use emotive language to persuade others to visit there. In Science, we were fortunate enough to take part in a Fab workshop all about light. The children took part in a carousel of activities all around how light travels and they loved every minute of it. In Maths, we have moved onto money. Please support your child as much as you can at home with this by asking them how much things cost and allowing them to count coins when you are out shopping. Thanks again for your all support. Keep hearing your children read and please encourage your children to play TTRS more.

Mrs High and the Year 3 team.

## Year 4

The children in Year 4 have been working extremely hard across the curriculum. In English, we have started a non-chronological report unit about our school. As part of this exciting unit, the children are going to write to the King, telling him all about our school as we celebrate its 70th anniversary this year! We have moved onto time in maths and are exploring classification keys in science. Please also remember that after the half-term holidays, Year 4 pupils will take their national multiplication check. We encourage children to continue practising regularly on Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS). Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Ahmed and the Year 4 team.

## Year 5

Year 5 have just finished writing excellent instructions for our Year 5 vs Wild Survival Guide. Our work with Andy Peck means we now know how to build a shelter, light a fire, and stay safe even in the most challenging environments. Be sure to ask your child how to wrestle a croc and stay alive! In maths, we will continue working on geometry and reasoning with 3D shapes and polygons. We've also been so excited about our work on Cubism in art. Please help your child collect a range of different materials at home (decorative papers, wrappers, newspaper) for their synthetic artwork. Just a gentle reminder: please do encourage your child to read daily and remember to sign their reading record. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Hussain and the Year 5 team.

## Year 6

Year 6 teachers are very proud of all the children in their classes. Next week, they will complete their KS2 SATs to demonstrate all the learning they've done at William Austin Junior School. We have been working hard to revise the topics they've learned throughout their time here and we know they'll be amazing. In history, we are continuing our learning about Ancient Egypt. Children loved decorating pictures of themselves with elaborate headdresses. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Gilligan and the Year 6 team.

## Subject leader Mr McMulkin Maths & Mrs Compton English

### Mathematics Update

It has been wonderful to see children across the school working hard and enjoying their maths lessons this term.

In **Year 3**, pupils are developing their understanding of money through a range of practical activities. They are learning to add and subtract amounts, as well as solve real-life problems involving pounds and pence. Alongside this, they are exploring time—reading both analogue and digital clocks and calculating the duration of events.

In **Year 4**, children are building on this knowledge by converting between 12-hour and 24-hour time, as well as solving problems involving the conversion of units of time (for example, minutes to seconds and hours to minutes). They are also estimating, calculating and solving problems with money in a variety of contexts.

If your child is in **Year 3 or 4**, you can support their learning at home by:

- Asking them to tell the time throughout the day (on clocks, watches or devices)
- Involving them in planning schedules, such as working out how long activities will take
- Letting them handle money when shopping and calculating totals or change

In **Year 5**, pupils are focusing on geometry. They are learning to classify angles, measure them accurately using a protractor, and calculate missing angles using their knowledge of angle facts. They are also identifying and describing 2D and 3D shapes based on their properties.

You can support your **Year 5** child at home by:

- Spotting and discussing angles and shapes in everyday life (e.g. buildings, signs, packaging)
- Encouraging them to measure angles using a protractor if available
- Asking questions about shape properties, such as faces, edges and vertices

Finally, **Year 6** pupils are busy preparing for their SATs, which take place in the week beginning 11th May. They have worked incredibly hard all year, and we are very proud of their efforts. We wish them the very best of luck—we know they will do brilliantly.



## Year of Reading 2026 Reading Champions Competition



Dear Parents,

We are absolutely thrilled by the incredible engagement our children have shown with the Reading Competition. It has been a joy to see so many children proudly wearing their bronze, silver, and gold badges; their enthusiasm for venturing into new worlds is truly inspiring.

A special "well done" goes to our newest Reading Champions! These children have successfully read 20 books, and passed quizzes from the specially selected 25. Reaching this milestone takes real commitment, and we are immensely proud of their achievement.

Goodall - Mysha  
Curie - Ruqayyah & Aaliyah  
Johnson- Mustafa  
Jemison- Zain & Muhammed A  
Hawking- Muryem  
Mars - Maryam & Aisha  
Jupiter- Kanika  
Venus- Saad  
Baker- Zainab  
Africa- Jabinath  
Europe- Fatima

Thank you for your continued support in fostering a love of reading at home.

Mrs Compton



Family workers

Dear Families,

We hope all our families are enjoying the warmer weather - it's been lovely to see the sun shining. As we move into the summer term, we kindly remind parents that children can now wear their summer uniform.



### **Breakfast and Tummy Aches**

Over the past week, we have had a number of children visiting the medical room mid-morning complaining of tummy aches.

When spoken to, some children have said they had no breakfast, while others reported only having a glass of milk or biscuits. Starting the day without a proper breakfast can often lead to stomach discomfort and low energy levels at school.

Please ensure your child has breakfast each morning, even if they say they are not hungry. A balanced breakfast helps children feel settled, focused and ready to learn.

If mornings are difficult, our **Breakfast Club is free** and available to all pupils. Simply call **01582 509121** the day before to book a place and let us know about any allergies.

### **Brighton Seaside Trip**

We will be doing a seaside trip in the summer holidays. More details to follow so please look out for texts and emails.

Please call 01582 509121 for support, advice or information

# NOT MY CHILD

A PARENT'S GUIDE TO:

- \* EXPLOITATION
- \* KNIFE CRIME
- \* COUNTY LINES

## CALLING ALL PARENTS & CARERS!

JOIN US FOR AN EVENT AIMED AT RAISING AWARENESS AND EQUIPPING YOU WITH THE KNOWLEDGE TO PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN FROM EXPLOITATION, KNIFE CRIME, & COUNTY LINES.

### WHY ATTEND?

- **HEAR REAL STORIES:** Hear lived experiences from parents whose children have sadly fallen victim to such crimes
- **RECOGNISE THE SIGNS:** Learn how to spot the early warning signs that your child is being exploited
- **EXPERT ADVICE:** Get practical advice on what to do if you have concerns about your child's safety
- **SUPPORT NETWORKS:** Connect with organisations that can offer further support and guidance

ANY YOUNG PERSON CAN BE A VICTIM OF THESE CRIMES. IT'S CRUCIAL THAT PARENTS AND CARERS HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE TO IDENTIFY THE SIGNS AND KNOW WHERE TO TURN FOR HELP.

**6:00PM - 9:15PM**  
**WEDS 20 MAY 2026**  
**STOPSLEY HIGH SCHOOL**  
**STOPSLEY - LUTON**



**Luton**