

## William Penn Newsletter 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016



### William Penn Goes Mad For World Book Day on 3rd March

By Maya R

The children of William Penn School, arrived wearing costumes for their favourite book character and bought the book that went with it to share with their friends. The atmosphere was filled with their excitement. They had a fascinating assembly about 'World Book Day' led by the terrifying Miss Trunchbull (Year 3 & 4 teacher)! She talked about the meaning of the whole World Book Day celebration, the character she was dressed in and what they were going to do today. Every class was assigned to do something inspired by a book called 'The Day the Crayons Quit'.

At the end of the day, the children gathered back into the hall for another assembly. This time they were awarded vouchers for the most creative costumes and shared examples of excellent work from earlier that day.

Megan, Year 4, said; "I like the fact that everyone gets to show their favourite books and express their favourite character."

Hector, year 2, stated; "I like it because you get to dress up!"

For Matilda, year 1, the whole day was a brilliant; "I like having fun on World Book Day."

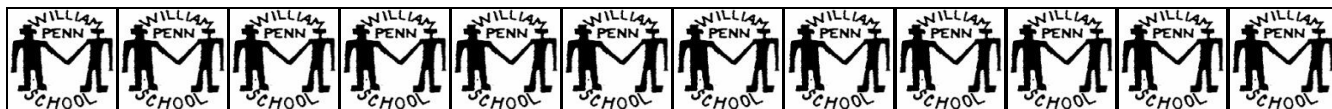
### Open Day – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March

This term's Open Day will take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March. You are warmly invited to join us in school at a time of your choice and for as long or short a time as is convenient to you. We would just ask you to be mindful that the teachers will be teaching and unable to discuss your child's progress with you on this day. If you find that a lot of parents are in one class, it would be appreciated if you could spread your attendance out so that the children can carry on with their learning with minimal disruption. Having said this, we are thoroughly looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Please enter the school via the front office and ensure that the gate is closed when entering or leaving the site. If you have time, we would welcome your comments in our Visitors' Book which is available in the office.

### Poster for Peace Competition

This year's Poster for Peace competition ends on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> of March. To date, we have very few entries so there is a good chance of winning. Please make sure that your child's entry has the child's name, school, year and age clearly marked on the back.





A reminder of the rules for this year can be found below:

- The best poster in each class will receive a winner's certificate and prize - and will be submitted to the UK Lions South East regional competition, too. The runner-up in each class will receive a certificate of commendation.
- The South East District Prize Winner will receive an award to keep and tokens to the value of £30 for Art products. Their school will receive an Award to keep for the year and a cheque for £100. The District runner-up will receive £25 of tokens and their school a cheque for £50. The District 3<sup>rd</sup> prize winner will receive £20 of tokens and their school a cheque for £50.
- The theme is 'Share Peace'. Art work must be no larger than A3 and no smaller than A4. The name, class, year group and school of the child must be written on the back of the poster.
- Artwork should be done on flexible material, so that it can be rolled for posting: Don't fold it! Do not laminate artwork; however, fixative spray may be used.
- Artwork must be original and the effort of just one child. Children entering the competition must be aged 8 to 10 years old on 31 August 2016 (ie currently in Years 3, 4 & 5).
- The deadline for entries is Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2016: The Lions will collect all entries from the School on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> of March.

### Easter Egg Hunt Non-Uniform Day

This year the PTA are organising the children's Easter Egg Hunt as usual. In preparation for this, we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March in return for small eggs etc for the hunt. Thank you

### Textile Recycling for School Funds – March 8<sup>th</sup> Reminder

Your child should have brought home a textile bag which we hope you will fill and return to school on March 8<sup>th</sup>. You are welcome to use a standard 'black bag' if you have too much for one. Thank you

### Sport Relief

This year we are really excited to be raising money for Sport Relief 2016! As one of the UK's biggest fundraising events, Sport Relief brings the entire nation together to get active, raise cash and change lives.

The nation's favourite sports day will be kicking off in schools and nurseries and William Penn has decided to hold theirs on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March**.

We will be getting involved and helping raise money for this incredible cause.



To do our bit and raise money we will be:

Having a non-uniform day where the children can wear their own favourite sports wear for a donation to Sports Relief. We will also be having a Sports afternoon where all the children will be having PE at the same time, being delivered by different coaches. They will be trying out different activities during the afternoon. We will be using the field so please make sure your child has suitable footwear. And, the best bit is, the money you raise for Sport Relief goes to projects in the UK and around the world, helping vulnerable people build a better future for themselves. To find out more about Sport Relief visit [sportrelief.com/schools](http://sportrelief.com/schools).

We really appreciate your support and hope that you'll have fun helping our school raise lots of money for Sport Relief!

Viv Jacques

### Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to Imogen Leech who has gained her Level 5 Gymnastics Award and Aurelia Hall-Palmer who has gained her Level 3 award. Well done to you both. If you have any pupil achievements that you would like mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail the office: [office@williampenn.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@williampenn.w-sussex.sch.uk)

