

## William Penn Newsletter – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### World Book Day

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**BOOK  
DAY**

We celebrated World Book Day in style last Thursday! Lots of children came dressed as their favourite characters from their favourite books including: Harry Potter, Willy Wonka, Where's Wally? Funnybones and Peter Pan. The children enjoyed completing book related activities, such as a scavenger hunt and designing a book mark. James said, "The best bit was looking at all the fantastic costumes in the morning and making my book mark."

Glen also said, "I liked looking at everybody else's costumes and trying to work out which characters my friends were dressed as." All the children received a World Book Day token to swap for a brand new book from this year's range.

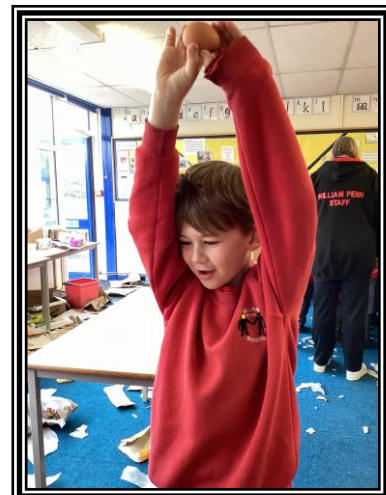
This day helps our children at William Penn enjoy their rights, linking this to Article 31: Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities. UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

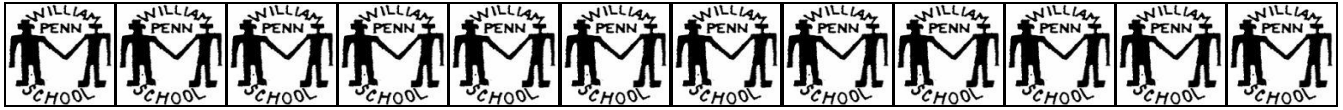


### STEM Day

Today, the children have enjoyed a fantastic day to celebrate Science Week this week. We dedicated today to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) enjoying a carousel of activities. We were lucky to have Ali from STEM Innovation to do the leaf blower science experiment with us. The children thoroughly enjoyed this.

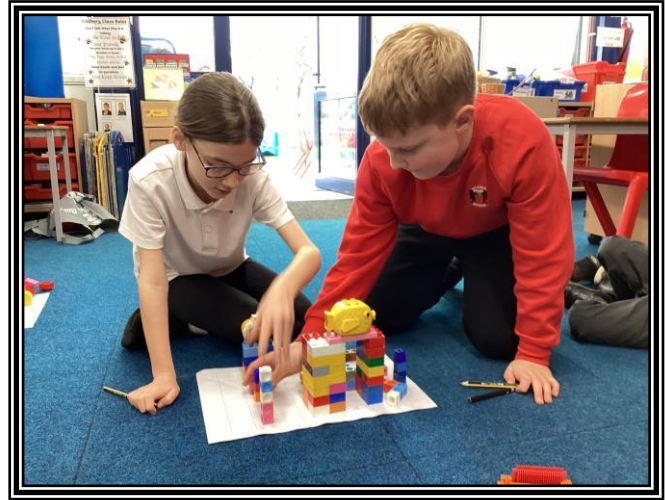
For our technology activity, the children had to use coding commands to guide their character through a Lego maze. They had to think hard about debugging, getting the commands in the right order and how many moves it would take to be the most efficient. Next, in our maths activity, the children were tasked with building a zoo. Negotiating with their 'money' and budgeting to be able to buy the animals. Lastly, the engineering activity was 'the egg drop challenge'. As





the children worked with their colour teams, to design a protective box from recycled materials, to keep their egg whole when dropped from a height.

Thank you to all the teachers, it was such an enjoyable day!



## Horsham Children's Parade 2024

This year we have been given the amazing opportunity to join 18 other Horsham schools in the annual Children's Parade. This will take place on Sunday 7th July 2024 from 10am-12pm. The parade will go through Horsham town and end up in Horsham Park where there will be a Funday Sunday event. Over the next few weeks children will be working with myself and an artist to make our props and costumes. The theme for the parade this year is the Olympics and we have been given the sub-theme of Equestrian.



We would really love this event to be well supported by William Penn families, so I am hopeful that by sending out the date early I can get an idea of the children who would be interested in joining the rest of the staff and I for the parade.

Please complete the Google form, sent earlier this week, to let me know if your child/children are interested in joining the parade? We need to know definite numbers to give to the parade organisers. More information will be coming out over the next few weeks and we will keep you all updated with our props and costume progress.

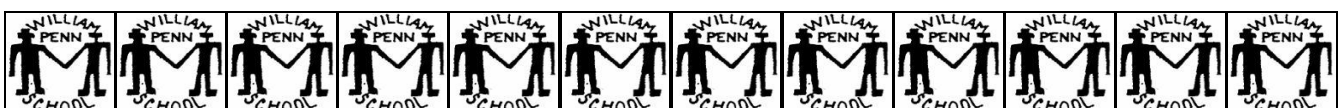
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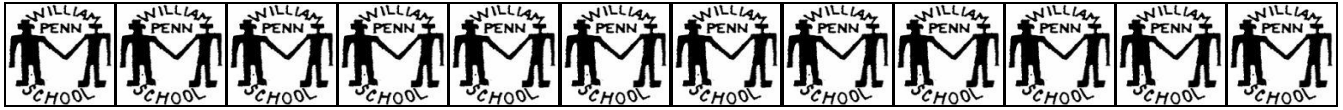
## Non School Uniform day on 21.03.24

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, children will be invited to wear their own clothes in exchange for a donation of money e.g. £2. This will be used by the PTA to organise an Easter Egg Hunt.

## Parent Surveys

Thank you for those who have already completed the parent survey. If you have yet not completed it, we urge you to do so. Your opinion is really important to us.





## Parent Consultations

Thank you to all the parents who have already booked a slot to see their class teacher. There are still slots available. If your child is in Cadbury and Fox, these sheets can be found on your child's Google Classroom. If your child is in Key Stage 2, these slots are booked on the My Child at School app. Please ask the office if you have any problems accessing either of these sites.

## Terracycle Recycling at William Penn Primary School

Thank you for your amazing efforts in helping us to collect recycling at the school. Please do continue to bring in the following items as these are still on triple points from Terracycle until 5<sup>th</sup> April. We need to keep it up!

- SNACK WRAPPERS - Sweet biscuit wrappers, cake wrappers, including the cellophane. Savoury biscuit wrappers such as cracker wrappers (not the cardboard, just the plastic wrapping).
- PRINGLE TUBES – pringle tubes (no other make). Without the lids.
- DENTAL ITEMS – electric toothbrush head – change those toothbrush heads and help the school! Manual toothbrushes, flossing sticks, electric flosser nozzles, dental floss containers.

As there are so many additional items that we recycle, we thought we would introduce two more items per week so that there isn't an information overload. Please do bring in the following items to help raise funds for the school:

- PENS and TIP-EX – this includes pens, highlighters, felt tips, markers, mechanical pencils, tip-ex mice, tip-ex fluid (and other brands), fountain pens and ink cartridges (NO glue sticks, rubbers, rulers, pencils or sharp objects such as scissors)
- PLASTIC FOOD STORAGE CONTAINERS and DRINKS BOTTLES – all brands of plastic food storage containers and lids such as Sistema, all brands of reusable plastic water bottles and caps. Please do bring in any of those sandwich containers or water bottles that have gone past their best, or maybe cracked and broken!

Please do spread the word to friends and family and everyone in the local community to help fill the recycling bins as this really does help our school in a big way. Maybe set up a dead pen pot in your work office?

We have very kindly been receiving Ella's Kitchen pouches, but unfortunately these are one of the items we no longer recycle. Sorry.

Thank you from the PTA

## Easter Events

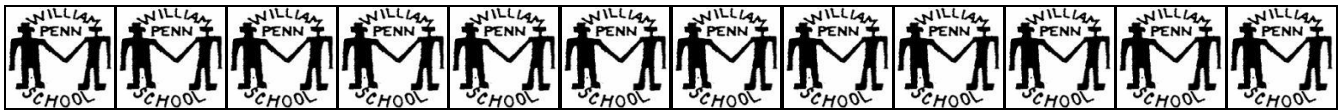
See below the flyer for our Spring Rock Concert. Children are busy rehearsing for this event and cannot wait to share some classic rock anthems with you all. This will take place in the playground on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 2:30pm. Parents will be able to come on site from 2:15pm to enjoy the exciting events the PTA has planned below.

**WILLIAM PENN SCHOOL PRESENTS**  
**SPRING ROCKS**  
GUEST STAR  
**WILLIAM PENN STUDENTS**  
THURSDAY 28TH MARCH  
FREE ENTRY  
William Penn School 2.30pm  
Everyone welcome. Bring your dancing shoes!

**William Penn Primary School**  
**Easter Eggstravaganza 28.03.24!**  
We're finishing the Spring Term with a BANG!!  
Kicking off at 2:15pm with William Penn's very own  
Rock Concert followed by lots of Easter fun!

Coffee and Crepes van  
Easter hat competition  
Second-hand uniform sale  
Easter biscuit decorating kits  
Second-hand costume sale  
How many eggs in the jar?  
Second-hand book sale

If you would like to help out with any of the activities, please contact  
williampennpta@outlook.com



# William Penn Primary School Easter Eggstravaganza 28.03.24!

**Donations needed!**

We need your help!

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**Dressing-up costumes**



**School uniform**



**Children's books**

To make our Easter Eggstravaganza a success, we need your help and generosity.

We are asking for donations of unwanted dressing-up costumes, school uniform and children's books. If you have anything in good condition you could offer, please put them in the **donation boxes** at the **gate** at **drop-off** and **pick-up**.

Thank you for your continued support.



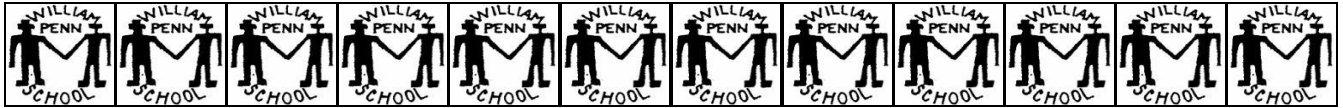
If you would like to contact the William Penn PTA, please email us at [williampennpta@outlook.com](mailto:williampennpta@outlook.com)



## Friday Golden Assembly Awards 8.3.24

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden	<p><b>Archer</b> For his progress with blending and recognising his sounds. He has become more fluent in his reading, which has boosted his confidence. We are so happy and impressed - fantastic job Archer!</p>	<p><b>Elena</b> For your kind and welcoming nature in Fox class, not just this week, but every single week. You are a delight to teach and your determination to succeed is admirable. Thank you for all your wonderful effort Elena.</p>	<p><b>William</b> For becoming so resilient and open to improving your work. You are becoming so reflective with your work to make sure you are proud of your efforts. Keep up this growth mindset William!</p>	<p><b>Betsy</b> For never giving up. You always take feedback about your work on board and want to know how you can make your work better. This is a fantastically mature attitude. Well done Betsy!</p>	<p><b>Indie</b> For having such a "can do" attitude to your learning this week. You have been really motivated in lessons and have worked hard to re-read and edit your work to make sure it reads well. Well done Indie!</p>	<p><b>Clayne</b> For your fantastic growth mind set. You are so hard working and determined to succeed, what an excellent attitude, well done Clayne.</p>	<p><b>Rufus</b> For your mature attitude towards learning. You are always engaged in lessons and an active participant in discussions with excellent and relevant ideas. Great work Rufus.</p>
Presentation Star	<p><b>Poppy</b> For independently writing such a beautiful piece of work, about similarities and differences between Kenya and the UK. Well done Poppy for producing such a beautifully presented piece of writing!</p>	<p><b>Fraser</b> For really focusing on your presentation this week. You have taken such care and thought when constructing your interesting sentences about the Savannah. You should be very proud of your progress and improvement since you started Year 1. Well done Fraser.</p>	<p><b>Violet</b> For your splendid effort in English this week. You have made sure your presentation is exemplary and always remembering capital letters and full stops. You pride yourself on making your work look beautiful. Well done Violet.</p>	<p><b>James</b> For working really hard to make sure your presentation is a Year 3 level this week. You have kept your work neat and tidy and been much more focused to keep the content good too. Well done James!</p>	<p><b>Ava</b> For your outstanding presentation in all subjects. You always make your work look amazing and work really hard on making sure your content is brilliant too. You really enjoy making your work inviting for the reader. Well done Ava!</p>	<p><b>Oliver</b> For trying really hard with your handwriting this week. Your letters are all the same size, on the line and your words are joined beautifully. Well done Oliver.</p>	<p><b>Emerson</b> Your work is and always has been beautifully presented but recently, you have been concentrating on joining your handwriting. Well done, great effort, Emerson.</p>





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Golden Child	<p><b>Francesca</b> For being a cherished asset to Cadbury. She is always so well behaved, kind, well-mannered and ready to learn. Well done Francesca!</p>	<p><b>William W</b> For being so enthusiastic when completing all your work this week. You have shown a real desire to succeed, especially in English when writing an email from Elmer! Well done William!</p>	<p><b>Arthur</b> For always wanting to contribute in every lesson, including sharing your vast knowledge about African animals. You are inspiring lots of other children to be confident when taking part in class conversation. Keep it up Arthur!</p>	<p><b>Layla B</b> For producing some brilliant research this afternoon. You used your time wisely when researching on the chromebooks and as a result you were able to make a fantastic poster about Roman life. Well done Layla!</p>	<p><b>Jac</b> For working so brilliantly this week in all your subjects but particularly maths! You have confidence to share your ideas, answer questions and model to the rest of the class. Amazing work Jac! Well done!</p>	<p><b>Spencer</b> For his amazing work this week writing his own version of a Just So story. JBB then turned these stories into books and his publishing looks very professional. Well done Spencer.</p>	<p><b>Maisie</b> For working so hard on writing her Just So story this week. She chose to write her book by hand and has spent every spare moment completing it. Well done Maisie.</p>
Presentation Star	<p><b>Evie</b> For writing not one, not two, but three fantastic sentences in our phonics lesson on Wednesday. All the letters sit beautifully on the line and have a full stop at the end. Well done Evie!</p>	<p><b>Lilly</b> For your splendid effort with your presentation in phonics this week. You have made sure your letters are correctly formed, with plenty of room between each word. Keep up the superb effort Lilly!</p>	<p><b>Bella</b> For being so super proud of your amazing handwriting during our grammar session yesterday. You took such an incredible amount of effort to produce the neatest work I think you have ever produced! Keep it up Bella!</p>	<p><b>Layla S</b> For continuing to model every week in every lesson, how beautifully work can be presented. You go above and beyond to make sure your work looks amazing! Well done Layla!</p>	<p><b>Zack</b> For an improved attitude to making your work neater. You are taking time to nicely correct your work and most importantly you are taking real pride in your work. Well done Zack!</p>	<p><b>Jeremy</b> For a well presented book that he made this week featuring his own version of a Just So story. His book included pictures, a front cover and a blurb. Great work Jeremy.</p>	<p><b>Kacey-Rose</b> She has been practising her joined hand writing in her own time and has produced a lovely piece of work. Well done Kacey-Rose.</p>

## Pupil Achievements Outside of School

Well done to Alfie Nicholl for passing our Saxophone Preparatory Stage.

If you have any pupil achievements that you would like mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail [office@williampenn.co.uk](mailto:office@williampenn.co.uk).

