

William Penn Newsletter January 7th 2022

Welcome to the Spring Term

It has been lovely to see almost all our pupils and families safely back in school this week. Thank you for sending your children back ready and prepared for the new term. Earlier this week, we sent out a revised logistics update, which we would very much like you to read at your earliest convenience. This details our current approach to staffing, at this time of high infection rates, and our contingency plans. There are also changes to testing recommendations and school requirements.



Road Closure

We have been able to find further information regarding the closure of Brooks Green Road on Wednesday January 12th. We are advised that the closure will be between Coolham Road and Emms Lane between the hours of 9.30am and 2.30pm. As such, school pick up and drop off should not be affected. We will, of course, advise you if we become aware of any updates to this information.

Thank You Tesco

Following our very successful Christmas Market, Tesco Broadbridge Heath, has kindly donated the store decorations for this year's event. We are grateful to Tesco for supporting the school and local community.

William Penn New Football Kit – Thank You @Home Estate Agents

We would like to thank @home estate agents for sponsoring the new William Penn Football kit. Whilst, opportunities to wear it might be more limited than usual, it is good to know that we are well prepared for inter-school sports events.



Lions Poster for Peace Art Competition 2022

The Billingshurst Lions want you to design a poster promoting peace in the world. The theme is 'Peace Now'.

The best poster in each class will win a £10 token to be spent in WH Smith, plus a certificate. The runner-up in each class will get a certificate, too. This contest is open to children aged 8, 9 and 10 by 31st August 2022, and gives an opportunity for a discussion on the true importance of peace.

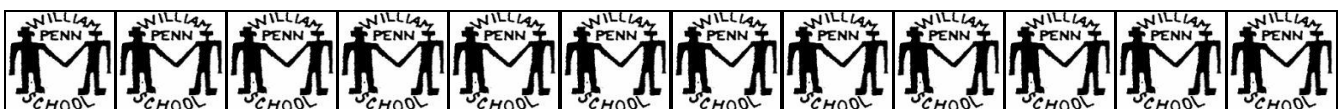


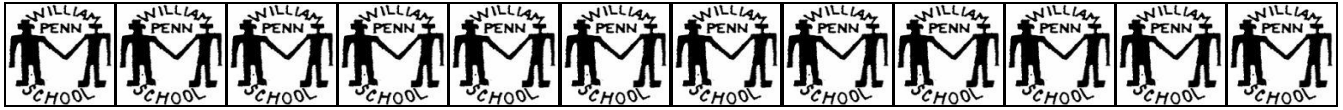
The best poster from each class will also be sent to the South East Headquarters of the Lions Clubs, where it will be entered for another competition. The prizes will be:

- 1st - a £30 art voucher + £100 for the School*
- 2nd - a £25 art voucher + £50 for the School*
- 3rd - a £20 art voucher + £50 for the School*

What you need to do:

Design a poster promoting peace in the world on paper or card no larger than A3 and no smaller than A4.





Make sure you put your name, class, year group and school on the back of the poster - which must not be folded

When you need to do it by:

Your poster must be handed in at School by Thursday the 16th of March 2022.

Spelling Stars Results

On Monday 13th December, a nail-biting Spelling Star Competition took place in each year group at William Penn. The children had worked hard, practising their spellings for the term, ready to face each other in an exciting Spell Off. But who would be left standing at the end? The winners received a golden star badge to wear with pride. See photographs of this terms winners below.



Safeguarding/Health and Safety/Wellbeing Update

[The self-isolation advice for people with Covid-19 has changed](#). It is now possible to end self-isolation after seven days, following two negative lateral flow tests (LFD) taken 24 hours apart. The first LFD test should not be taken before the sixth day.

If you have any symptoms, please take a PCR test as soon as possible and isolate until you have your result. Also, the following are steps we can all take to help #KeepWestSussexSafe:

[Please take a Lateral Flow test before meeting up with others](#). Report your result and if it's positive, self-isolate immediately and take a PCR test. When required, please complete contact tracing as soon as possible. You can usually complete this online.

[Letting in fresh air](#) can help reduce the spread of Covid-19. Opening doors and windows regularly, even for 10 minutes when you are meeting indoors can help you and your loved ones stay safe.

[Wearing a face covering](#) is a legal requirement on public transport, in shops and in other places like hairdressers. It's a really good idea to also wear a face covering in all crowded and enclosed spaces where we may come into contact with people we wouldn't normally meet.

[Being vaccinated](#) is the best way to protect against catching Covid-19. Get your booster jab as soon as you can, and please keep trying if appointments aren't available straight away.

[Get your NHS Covid pass](#) to enjoy events and visit venues safely (subject to national guidance). This is now a legal requirement for certain places.

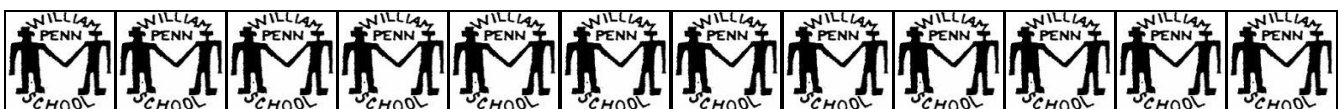
[Find out about Covid-19 case rates where you live in West Sussex](#). Use the postcode tracker on our data dashboard to find the latest available information.

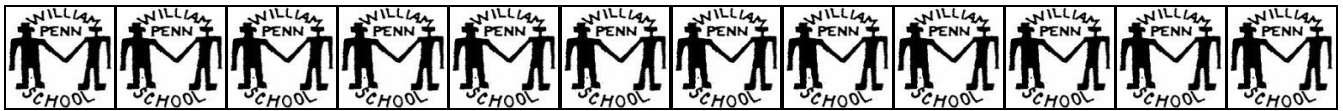


Pupil Achievements Outside of School

Congratulations to Indie L who was awarded it for being the star player and for scoring 4 goals at football.

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



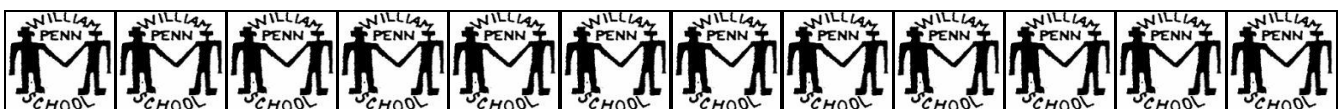


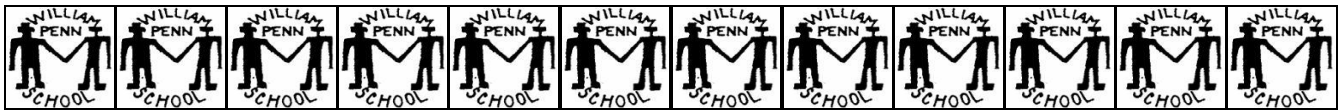
Friday Golden Assembly Awards 17.12.2021

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden	<p>Jaxx For having a great can do attitude and always wanting to try his best and really applying himself in lessons this week. Well done Jaxx!</p>	<p>Fabien For having a growth mindset in English by persevering with his writing, even when we are working at pace.</p>	<p>Oliver B For being such a good friend at break and lunch times, always letting people join the game he is playing.</p>	<p>Elliott For having an AMAZING week. You have worked so hard, been positive in your approach to learning and been a fantastic role model to your peers! Well done Elliott!</p>	<p>Alfie For having a brilliant attitude towards your learning. You try hard, do your best and you are always ready for the next task. You are a great role model to your peers and the rest of the children in school. Well done Alfie!</p>	<p>James For really applying himself in lessons this week. His has taken his learning seriously. Great attitude!</p>	<p>Teddy For working so hard on his acceptable behaviour in class. He has had a brilliant week and should be very proud of himself.</p>
Star Writer	<p>William For brilliant writing of his numbers, particular with the number 8 which is a tricky one to do in one go.</p>	<p>Mason For improving his handwriting by using his letter formation to ensure his work is legible.</p>	<p>Olivia For a superb description of a winter walk. She set the scene beautifully with her choice of adjectives.</p>	<p>Andrew For writing an emotive and powerful speech in the style of Digdown. You used concise sentences that made your speech great! Well done Andrew!</p>	<p>Ethan For writing a brilliant speech in the style of Digdown from our class book "The Wild Robot". You used good vocabulary and kept your sentences short and precise. Well done Ethan!</p>	<p>Isla and Shannessa For a beautiful poem with rhythm and well-chosen rhyming words.</p>	<p>Emma and Eden For their top class copywriting skills this week. They have produced a very persuasive book trailer.</p>

Friday Golden Assembly Awards 07.01.2022

Please see below:





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Golden	<p>Isaac You have made sure that you remember the Code of Conduct and embodied it. Well done for going out of your way to demonstrate your understanding.</p>	<p>Lottie For writing an aspirational New Year's Resolution.</p>	<p>Ava For thinking about making a New Year's Resolution and giving it lots of thought.</p>	<p>Sophia For applying herself in her learning, and being eager to help her classmates with their work.</p>	<p>Florin For being so welcoming in Fry class and trying independently to complete her work.</p>	<p>Isabel W For embodying our Quaker values. She makes a great friend and is always ready to do her best in class.</p>	<p>Josh For his enthusiasm in lessons. He is always ready to make interesting and intelligent contributions to class discussions.</p>
Star Writer	<p>Violet You have showed great work this week, I am so impressed with everything you have done all week. Well done Violet!</p>	<p>Mason For focusing on his letter and sentence formation, remembering capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.</p>	<p>Jac For his detailed phrases about Antarctica, such as 'powdery soft snow' and 'bleak frozen water chilled my bones'.</p>	<p>Elliott For thinking about his sentence structure and content when writing the story of the founder of Rome.</p>	<p>Alfie For a detailed and well-presented storyboard of Romulus and Remus.</p>	<p>Cherry For her interesting google doc about the climate in the Amazon Rainforest. She used her research to create an informative presentation for the class.</p>	<p>Sebby For a fantastic poster teaching us about different animal classification – he wrote well-structured sentences that clearly explained each group's different features.</p>

