

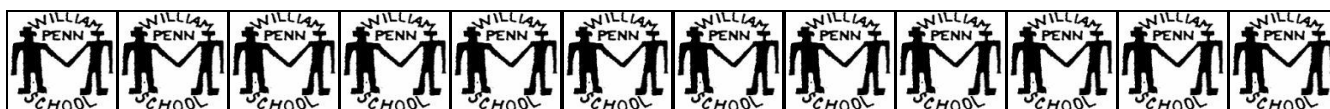
## William Penn Newsletter

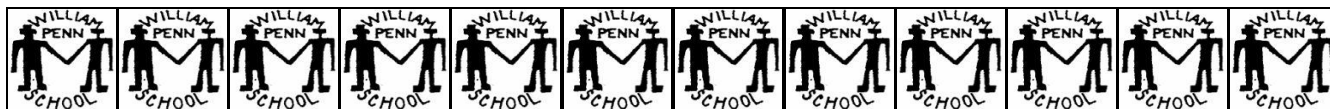
### 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022

#### Dates List

We have put together our dates list for the next academic year. Please see below. Some are yet to be confirmed but hopefully the list will allow you to plan forward.

September 2022	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Autumn Term commences – first day of term for pupils
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Class Welcome Meeting (Cadbury) at 3.30pm
5 <sup>th</sup>	Class Welcome Meeting (JBB) at 3.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup>	Class Welcome Meeting (Fry) at 3.30pm
9 <sup>th</sup>	Class Welcome Meeting (Fox) at 3.30pm
TBC	School Photographer – individual photographs
October 2022	
4 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultation Evening 3.15pm-6pm
5 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day for parents to visit school
20 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Festival Parents' Assembly 2.15pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> inclusive	Half term
31 <sup>st</sup>	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
November 2022	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Market
25 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
December 2022	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Nativity Performance at Christ's Hospital
15 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party Lunch
16 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term
January 2023	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Spring Term commences
17 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day for parents to visit school
February 2023	
13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> inclusive	Half term
20 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
March 2023	
21 <sup>st</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parent Consultation Evenings 3.15pm-6pm
31 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of Spring Term and Parents' Assembly 2.15pm
April 2023	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Term commences
May 2023	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Bank Holiday
w/o 8 <sup>th</sup>	Test Week for Years 5&6
19 <sup>th</sup>	May Day Celebration 1.30pm
26 <sup>th</sup>	May Day Celebration Rain Off 1.30pm
29 <sup>th</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June inclusive	Half term
June 2023	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day for parents to visit school
7 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome Meeting for new parents 7pm
8 <sup>th</sup> (pm) and 15 <sup>th</sup> (am)	New intake taster sessions and school transition times
19 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parents' Assembly at 2.15pm
24 <sup>th</sup> TBC	Summer Cream Tea
30 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day 1.30pm
July 2023	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day Rain Off 1.30pm
10 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Pupil Reports to Parents
12 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultation Evening 3.15pm-6pm
TBC	Years 6 Visit to the Blue Idol
21 <sup>st</sup>	William Penn End of Year Leavers' Assembly – last day of term





### Updated Outdoor Area – Progress Report

The pupils are loving the newly updated surface in the outside area near the trim trail. Astroturf has been laid to provide an all year round playing and activity surface for the pupils.

### Running Track Update

We are still hoping that the running track will be installed this term. We are currently awaiting confirmation from the planning authorities and Sport England and hope to update you with positive news shortly.

### Free School Meals Reminder

This is a reminder that some students are entitled to free school meals. If you think your child might be eligible, please fill in the form or contact us at school for further guidance. There is a link to the form here.



<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/>

If you would like help with applying please contact or the school office.

Children are eligible to receive free school meals (FSM) if their parents/carers are in receipt of any of the following benefits:

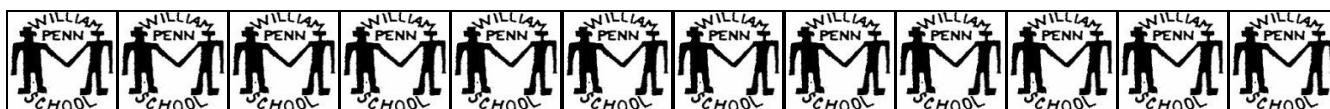
- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190.

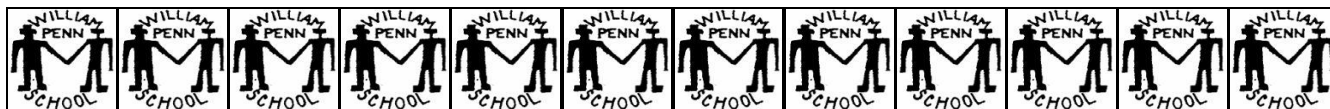
The government provides additional funding to schools based on the number of students who are in receipt of Free School Meals. Therefore, by applying for FSM, you also help secure extra funding for the school which enables us to provide extra support for a wider range of students.

### School Uniform Reminder for Summer Term

As we start the new term, many of you will be thinking about school uniform appropriate for the season. We have some affordable second hand uniform in stock. Please contact the school office if you would like to purchase and we will check the stock.

**With regard to school uniform, we have been flexible with adherence to the policy throughout the lockdown and period afterwards. However, from the new term, the expectation is that all children are in correct uniform, as per the policy. This does mean that trainers are only worn on PE days and that**





**PE kit should also be in line with the policy. The extract from the policy included below, gives further clarity.**

### **Jewellery**

*On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are plain gold/silver ear-ring studs in pierced ears, medical-alert bracelets or necklaces, and small objects of religious significance. The children must either remove these objects during PE and games and keep them in a safe place, or cover them with a plaster supplied from home, to prevent them from causing injury. Teachers will not look after items of jewellery and are not responsible for their safekeeping.*

### **Hair**

*For reasons of safety and hygiene, all hair of shoulder length or longer should be tied back with a red, black or grey hair band.*

### **Footwear**

*The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. We think that trainers are appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.*

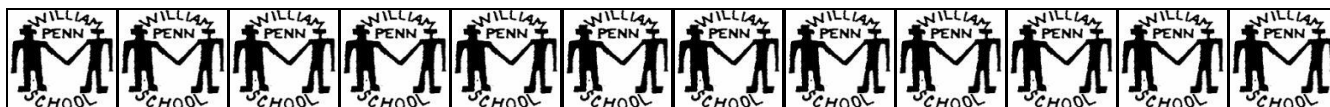
### **The Role of Parents**

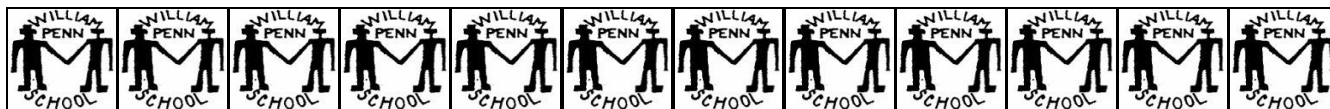
*We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.*

**All items of uniform should be clearly named.** *The school does not keep a collection of lost property and cannot retain items of unnamed uniform.*

*All pupils will need one item from each box although parents may choose more.*

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Grey shorts</li> <li>▪ Grey trousers</li> <li>▪ Grey skirt (minimum knee length)</li> <li>▪ Grey pinafore dress (minimum knee length)</li> <li>▪ Red and white summer dress (check or stripe and minimum knee length)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ White polo shirt (school logo optional)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Red William Penn sweatshirt (with logo)</li> <li>▪ Red William Penn cardigan (with logo)</li> <li>▪ Red William Penn fleece (with logo)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ White or black PE shorts</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Red William Penn T-shirt (with logo)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Trainers for outdoor use (Years 3,4,5 and 6)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Track suit for outdoor, winter wear (no hoodies)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PE bag</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Art overall (old adult shirt, optional)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Black school shoes (not trainers or boots)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Grey or white socks</li> <li>▪ Grey or red tights</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No jewellery (other than plain gold/silver ear-rings studs and exceptions detailed in the Uniform Policy)</li> </ul>





## Safeguarding/Health and Safety/Wellbeing Update

The South West Grid for Learning (SWGfL) has published resources about the digital wellbeing of children and young people. The guidance aims to assist professionals, parents and carers in supporting children's wellbeing online. It looks at the impact of exposure to abuse or online harm on a child's digital wellbeing and provides information on the role of digital technologies in relation to welfare.

Read the news story: [Introducing our digital wellbeing hub!](#)

Access the resources: [Digital wellbeing](#)

## Pupil Achievements Outside of School

Congratulations to Molly W who has passed her BTDA street dance exam with Honours which the second highest grade available (85%-100%). Well done Molly



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

## Friday Golden Assembly Awards 06.05.2022

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden	<b>Violet</b> For showing exemplary behaviour the whole week. She is always showing the best behaviour, and is a real role model for Cadbury.	<b>Lottie</b> For having such a positive outlook to everything. She always brings joy to others and her energetic nature inspires all of her classmates. Well done Lottie!	<b>Claudia</b> For being a role model in Fox class. She consistently tries her hardest and her willingness to learn new things is admirable, as are her relationships with her friends.	<b>Rory</b> For working confidently and independently in maths this week.	<b>Rufus</b> For always being a supportive friend and helping whenever he can. He sets a great example to others and always tries his hardest in school.	<b>Esme</b> For her dedication and commitment to the entire curriculum. She gives every subject her 100% attention and produces fabulous results.	<b>Lexi</b> For her mature attitude to her learning and friendships. She embodies our Quaker values and makes a fantastic role model to her peers.
Star Reader	<b>Arthur</b> For really trying his hardest with his reading. He is willing and able to show a very good understanding of his reading by answering comprehension questions about his books.	<b>Layla B</b> For being so willing to read aloud the maths questions and instructions to the class. She is proving how important reading is across the whole curriculum.	<b>Grace</b> For being so eager to read at school and at home. Her reading comprehension is developing very well and she is able to make links between different stories.	<b>Violet</b> Violet nearly always has a book in her hand and takes every opportunity to read. Sometimes she gets so engrossed that it is hard to tear her away from the pages!!	<b>Flo</b> For regularly reading in school and independently at home. She enjoys books and always records her reading in her diary.	<b>Ruben</b> For getting really stuck into his reading this week; managing to read a whole book in one day and then kindly lend it to a friend.	<b>Josh</b> For always having a book on the go. He is such an avid reader who 'magpies' ideas from stories to use in his own writing.

