



William Penn Newsletter 24th March 2016

Happy Easter and End of Term

On behalf of everyone at William Penn School, I would like to wish you a happy and restful Easter break. We look forward to welcoming you back for the Summer Term on Monday 11th April.

Easter Bonnets, Hunt and Non-Uniform Day

The children had a wonderful time yesterday when they experienced a day with special Easter events. The annual Easter Bonnet Parade was very successful with more entrants than ever it seemed. The PTA awarded first, second and third in each year group and also prizes for taking part. We are thankful to Sainsburys as a kind donation helped to provide the prizes. Later on in the day, the children took part in a PTA organised egg hunt. We would like to pass on our thanks to all those that donated eggs and the PTA for organising the hunt.



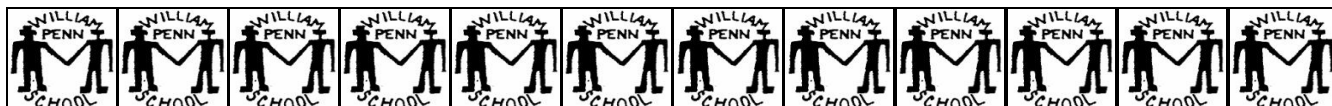
Sport! Sport! Sport!

This term has seen William Penn take part in many sporting competitions.

On Friday 11th March, Alice, William C, Nathan, Madeleine, George, Priya and Lily Belle, took part in the final hockey league tournament. William Penn was promoted to division 2 due to their amazing play and finished 5th in that division.

Thank you to the children for representing William Penn so well and an extended thank you to Mrs Carver and parents who stayed to cheer the children on.

On Wednesday 16th March we had 7 children go to the Weald School to take part in a 7-a-side Football Festival. It was a very cold evening the children played really well and enjoyed the experience. Thank you, William R, Sydney, Alice, William C, George C, Doug and Archie. Again Mrs Carver supervised the children and needed defrosting at the end!





Sports Relief



William Penn had their sports relief afternoon last Thursday where £88.00 was raised.



Children came suitably dressed for an afternoon of sports coaching and fun. They tried baseball, volleyball, netball and table tennis. We would like to thank the coaches, David, Kim, Nick and Michelle for helping the afternoon to go with a run, hit and a swing! If your child has come home and said they particularly enjoyed one of the sports, there are local clubs available. Please see the school office or Mrs Jacques.

'I enjoyed it because it was different and fun'
- Alice JBB

'My favourite activity was volleyball because I got to learn new skills.' - Zac Fry

'I enjoyed table tennis because of the fun techniques!' - Amber Cadbury

'I liked baseball because we used new equipment'. - Phoebe Fox

Child Minding

We are aware that child minding can be a problem for some families as parents return to work or change hours of work. Whilst the school does not have a bank of information and does not recommend any provider, we have recently been approached by a parent from the Billingshurst area who has had no luck securing childcare between the hours of 7.45am and 4.30pm (initially for 2/3 days a week and involving school runs to William Penn). If you have any information that could be helpful, please leave this to the school office staff who will in turn pass the information on.

Parents' Meeting – Homework, Assessment and Calculation in Mathematics

Thank you to all parents and staff that attended the meeting earlier this week. The meeting was very productive and there was a lot of useful and informative discussion for all parties. We have attached the powerpoint handouts and calculation booklet for those of you that could not attend. In addition, for those parents wishing to access published advice one suggestion is Mike Askews book 'Maths for Mums and Dads'.

<http://www.amazon.co.uk/Maths-Mums-Dads-Mike-Askew/dp/0224086359>

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to Aymen Tucker who has now passed his swimming ASA level 4. 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

