

William Penn Newsletter

Friends Club Reminders

We currently offer wrap around care in school from 8:00am till 5:30pm. This can be booked online on the My Child at School app. Sessions should ideally be paid for as you book them, or within the half term that you have booked. Please ask Mrs Lees, in the office, if you require any assistance setting up the app.

We are currently creating a monthly timetable with an array of activities such as: Mindful Monday, Construction Club, Movie Creating, Creative Club, Music Madness, Painting, Sports Activities, Dance, Computing Club and Games such as Bingo. These will be suggested themes and not compulsory and alternatives will always be accessible. If your child is registered with Friends Club, please can you send them in with an old, named, oversized T-shirt, that can remain in school and will be worn to protect their school uniform during art activities.



PC Scott visits JBB

JBB and Year 5/6 from Shipley school had a thought-provoking session with PC Sally Scott on Wednesday. She delivered an extensive presentation about online and general safety. The talk included important messages about how children can keep themselves safe and happy online.

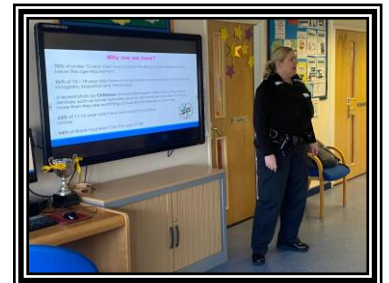
"It was surprising to hear from PC Sally Scott about the consequences of the law when you are over ten." – Sophie.



"I didn't know that social media platforms have age limits," – Rufus.

"It was interesting to learn how things work online and how to stay safe," – Josh.

PC Sally Scott's assembly was very informative and it was also great to work alongside Shipley school.



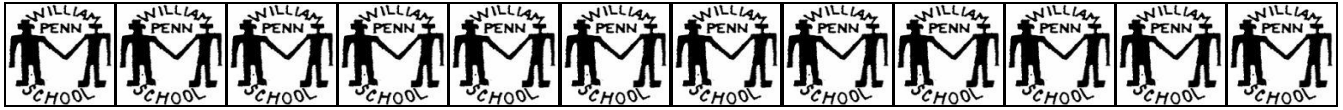
Governor visits to classrooms

Mike Blackman (Chair of Governors), Araminta Barlow (L.A. Governor), and I (Lucy Huggett, Parent Governor), spent the morning at William Penn today as part of our efforts to get to know the school, its teachers and pupils better. Becoming more familiar with school is an important part of being a governor as it allows us to see first-hand how decisions made by school leaders are having a positive impact on the school and how progress is being made.



It was a very enjoyable experience and we were made to feel very welcome by both teachers and pupils alike. We were all impressed by the standard of behaviour the children demonstrated in their lessons and the fabulous sense of community that there is between the children and staff. One of the benefits of being part of a small school is that all the children know each other between the year groups and really look out for each other.





As well as sitting in on several lessons and witnessing some fabulous pupil engagement, a highlight was getting a sneak preview of the Spring Rocks concert in assembly. It was a joy to see the children singing so enthusiastically and witness some great dance moves. Parents you are all in for a treat!

We look forward to spending more time at William Penn in the near future and witnessing the school's positive development in 2024.



Your PTA Needs You!

A reminder that we will be holding our annual PTA AGM this Monday (29th January) at 3:30PM at school. A film will be screened in Cadbury class for children of parents that wish to attend, although we promise to keep it as brief as possible.

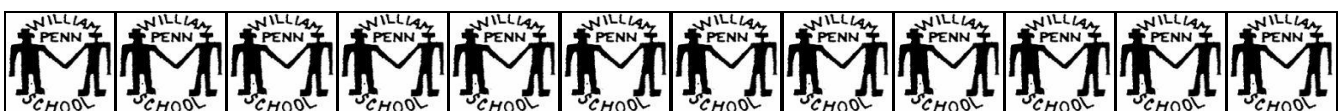
Even if you only have a small amount of time to spare, we welcome everyone to get involved. We hope to see as many of you there as possible!
The PTA

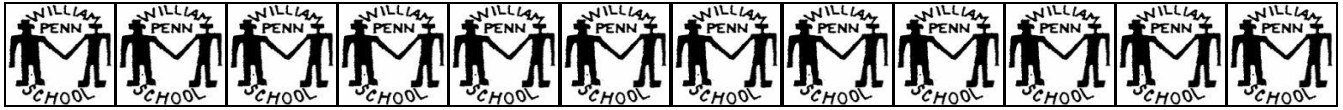
Health and Safety Reminder

Please do not use the area outside the gates to turn around in. This is dangerous as small children could easily go unnoticed and be knocked over. Also, please do not park over any of the drives on the road as these are private property. Finally, do not park on the yellow lines outside the school - regardless of the time of day. Our children's safety is paramount. Thank you for consideration when parking.

Friday Golden Assembly Awards 26.1.24

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden	Fitz For really positive behaviour at all times. He has been kind to his peers at playtime and enthusiastic about his learning in class.	Harry For being so driven to succeed this week. He hasn't rushed at all, and instead taken his time to make sure his work is to his best standard. Keep up the fantastic effort Harry.	Carson For his outstanding maths work this week. He has used a range of different techniques to divide large numbers. He has also lent a hand to his friends, helping them with their maths. Wonderful effort Carson!	Arlo For contributing very mature answers during our RHSE lesson about responsibility this week. You were knowledgeable and focused throughout and it was great to hear your ideas. Well done Arlo!	Ava D For being so consistently amazing! Your attitude to learning is admirable. You always put in 100% effort in all subjects and you contribute some wonderfully thought out ideas. Well done Ava!	George For always giving 100% in everything you do in class. You are keen to offer your thoughts and are always enthusiastic about learning. Well done George!	Flo For being determined and resilient. You always give everything your best effort and you are a pleasure to have in JBB. Well done Flo!
Star Writer	Evie For excellent progress with her letter formation. She has really concentrated hard and taken her time to produce fantastic writing.	Beaux For her participation in our whole class discussion about our class book this week. She really thought about the character's feelings and could articulate her reasoning when speaking aloud. Well done Beaux!	Connor For his magnificent attitude to learning this week. He has been so determined to give his all across every lesson. Connor has even sought extra activities to further his learning. Amazing week, well done Connor!	Fabien For generally being a complete superstar. You try your best, you are a great friend, you are kind and helpful and you are a valued member of the class. Your smile is infectious! Keep it up Fabo!	William For writing a fantastically descriptive letter in the role of Tranio about your life in Pompeii. You used some wonderfully creative adjectives and humour throughout, to make your letter a great read. Well done William!	Violet Your writing is always lovely to read. You include lots of detail and your ideas are unique – you think about things from different perspectives in a very mature way, Well done Violet!	Emerson Your work is always beautifully presented and well thought out. Your writing is always of a high standard and an example to the rest of the class. Well done Emerson!





Friday Golden Assembly Awards 19.1.24

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Golden	<p>Cory For being such a positive, happy member of Cadbury class. You put a smile on everyone's face and brighten all of our days.</p>	<p>Sasha For her determination to succeed in art this week. She initially found the task daunting, but she showed a great amount of perseverance and resilience to produce a wonderful piece of art. Keep it up Sasha!</p>	<p>Isaac For showing such compassion and thoughtfulness towards his classmates this week. He has been a comforting shoulder to many children. Thank you for your effort Isaac.</p>	<p>Layla S For producing such imaginative and creative mosaic designs, ready to make our mosaics today. You thought about your colours and patterns. Well done Layla!</p>	<p>Jac For taking time to think about his science homework and choosing to present it on Google Docs. It is great to see you so enthused about our topic. Well done Jac!</p>	<p>Sophie For her art work this week. She really took her time to create a sculpture in the Mayan style. She was focused and careful with excellent results. Well done Sophie!</p>	<p>Owen For always doing his best in all areas of the curriculum. His work is always well presented and detailed while his behaviour in the classroom is exemplary. Well done Owen.</p>
Star Writer	<p>Archer For doing so well in his letter formations this week. You have really been trying so hard to write little letters next to each other and have done so well. Well done Superstar!</p>	<p>Sonny For being so enthusiastic about his Warhol-inspired artwork this week. He took time to add detail to his sloth creation. Well done Sonny!</p>	<p>Bella For showing a fantastic growth mindset in maths. She has used a range of techniques to help her divide large numbers and consequently, her confidence has grown. Well done Bella.</p>	<p>Charlie For working with such determination in English lessons and other writing tasks this week. You have been really focused on your presentation, spelling and content. Great work Charlie!</p>	<p>Jenson For being so ready to contribute to lessons. You always have your hand up, you are enthusiastic in all lessons and you produce great work as well. Well done Jenson!</p>	<p>Spencer For trying really hard in English this week. He wrote a thoughtful advice letter to a character in our class book. His presentation is excellent. Also, his artwork this week was outstanding! Well done Spencer.</p>	<p>Josh For his excellent descriptive writing about the lagoon in our class book. He used fantastic vocabulary including powerful verbs and adjectives. Well done Josh!</p>

Pupil Achievements Outside of School

Well done to all the musicians that have worked hard and been awarded the following certificates:

Layla S – For achieving her Flute Preparatory certificate.

Owen G – For achieving his Saxophone Preparatory certificate.

Rufus H – For achieving his Saxophone Stage 2 certificate.

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

