

William Penn Newsletter 21st June 2018

Weald Schools' Music Festival

Congratulations to all those that took part in the Weald Schools' Music Festival and to all those that supported the event. The children and the audience had a wonderful time.

INSET Day 25th June 2018

Please be reminded that the school will be closed to pupils on Monday 25th June. The staff and governors will be busy evaluating the school's development this academic year and formulating plans for September 2018 and the next academic year.

William Penn Dragon's Head at Billingshurst Show

On Saturday 24th June at 12.00, our upcycled Dragons head will be appearing in the Billingshurst Show and Carnival. (The carnival procession moves at 12 o'clock from Jengers Mead) The Dragons head will then be judged and the school could win a prize. It would be great to see some William Penn families there! There could be some opportunities to carry the dragon too.

Poetry Competition

On Thursday 19th July, we will be holding a whole school poetry competition at William Penn. All children are invited to learn and perform a poem, to the school. This could be an old classic or a newer poem. There will be winners from both Key Stages. Their performances will be recorded in front of the green screen, then uploaded onto the school website. This is a great opportunity for children to learn poems but also to focus on their performance; practising pitch, voice inflection and volume control. Try these free resources online to find the perfect poem:

<https://www.familyfriendpoems.com>

<https://www.poetry4kids.com/>

Oceans are NOT rubbish

Please see below for details of a competition that we will be taking part in as a school. We will need help in collecting the materials for the day and there will be some homework (researching the endangered animal and designing the model).



COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLS

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THE WEEK
Junior

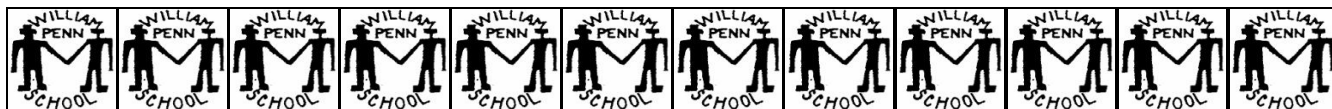
CALLING ALL YOUNG ECO-WARRIORS AND CONSERVATION
SUPERHEROES IN KEYSTAGE 2!

Do you love dolphins, whales, turtles, seals and seabirds? Does seeing photos of whales with bellies full of plastic, turtles choking on plastic bags, or albatrosses

feeding plastic pellets to their chicks make you see red?

Are you fed up with finding plastic rubbish destroying your local beach or river?





Would you like to be part of the solution, not the problem?

You would? Fantastic!

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS START SAVING RECYLED PLASTIC MATERIALS TO USE IN SCHOOL, TO CREATE A BRILLIANT SCULPTURE OF AN ENDANGERED SEA CREATURE OR SEABIRD ON 18th JULY.

PRIZES

First Prize: A visit anywhere in the UK mainland by one of the UK's best-known children's authors AND one of the UK's most brilliant illustrators, PLUS 50 books – one from every author and illustrator in Authors4Oceans.

Runner-Up Prizes: Two schools will each receive a visit from either a top Authors4Oceans author or one of our fantabulous illustrators, plus 30 books from our award-winning Authors4Oceans team.

Third Prize: Twenty signed books from our award-winning Authors4Oceans team.

HOW TO ENTER

1. Competition opens 1 May 2018 and closes 10 November 2018, when you will be able to enter online by submitting a photo of your sculpture.
2. Build your plastic sculpture using recycled plastic rubbish ONLY! Please, please don't get 'new' plastic straws, bottles etc.
3. All sculptures must be of sea creatures, mammals or seabirds, ideally ones that are threatened or endangered.
4. Use environmentally-friendly glue, string or other support materials.
5. Your model must be a minimum of 50cms high, 50cms wide and 50cms deep and a maximum of 2 metres high, 2 metres deep
6. Be creative! Use our 'Need Inspiration?' section for ideas but feel free to let your imagination roam wild. And don't just stick to the well-known sea creatures. Consider Belugas, seahorses and some of the weird and wonderful endangered creatures that live in the remotest parts of the World Ocean. Don't forget that you can tackle seabirds too.

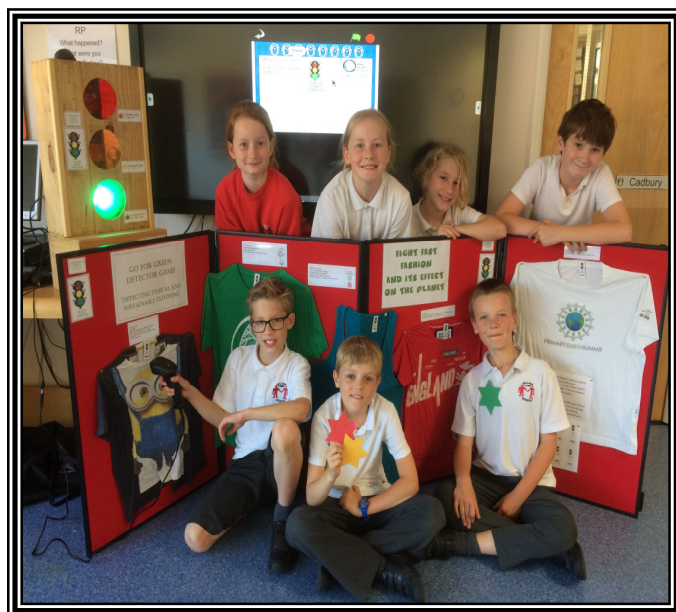


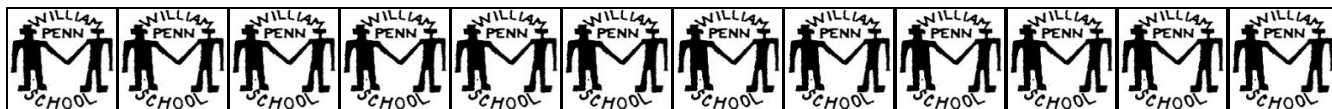
William Penn School - Southern/ Central Region winners of the Better Energy Schools Awards

On Thursday 14th June six members of the Green IT Club along with four other adults travelled to London Zoo to collect their Trophy, Certificate and cheque for £1,000 as the Southern/Central regions winners of the Better Energy School Awards.

There we met many different people including Naomi from CBBC, author Andy Stanton and our MP Jeremy Quinn. We got autographs from our favourites. We also met a variety of other environmental people from the sponsors Total and YPTE.

When we arrived, we met the three other schools winners and saw their projects. We also discussed our invention with the celebrities before showcasing our invention with a presentation on stage. After we had all done our presentations and received our





prizes they announced the overall winner who got £5,000. Unfortunately, it wasn't us but the school from Scotland with their Flying Pigs.

After the presentations we had our pictures taken with the judges and celebrities. Then we had lunch with Jeremy Quinn and continued demonstrating our invention (the Go for Green Detector) to the other schools.

Our invention – the Go for Green Detector – was a machine we made to tell people whether their clothes were best, ok or worst for the planet. We used a Raspberry Pi, two upcycled wine boxes, a bar code scanner and a collection of bar codes and T shirts. We wrote a programme in Scratch to read the bar codes to give us the answers – Green for Best, Amber for OK and Red for worst.

After this we were allowed to go out and visit the Zoo. We saw many animals including penguins, the last animal from a species of lion, monkeys, tigers and Komodo Dragons. We even went into the Reptile House where Harry Potter found out he could speak parsel-tongue.

At the end of a long day were able to buy a souvenir from the gift shop to remind of our visit. I bought a snake which I named Ssssssteve.

By Charlie B Year 5

Safeguarding Update – Online Safety Message from Community Safety and Wellbeing Team

The Community Safety & Wellbeing Team (CSWB) is asking West Sussex Parents & Carers for their views & experiences in relation to keeping their children safe online.

We are looking to establish what parents & carers main concerns are when parenting in the digital age and what challenges they have faced. We want to understand how confident parents & carers are when dealing with these issues and if they know where to go for help, advice & support.

We want to know about the types of resources parents utilise, are aware of and have available to them, as well as the resources they really value in helping them to better support their young people.

The aim of the survey is to assist us in identifying if any further resources may need to be developed, or to raise awareness of existing resources and how we can better support parents and carers in this area.

We will be running the online survey as of 29 May 2018 for 6 weeks to try and capture parents & carers views across the County and are encouraging as many people as possible to take part.

Respondents can click [here](https://haveyoursay.westsussex.gov.uk/communities-public-protection/parent-online-safety) to take part or use this link: <https://haveyoursay.westsussex.gov.uk/communities-public-protection/parent-online-safety>

The survey will close on the 8th of July 2018.

Kind regards

Francesca Blow, Lead for Safe Digital Life,
Community Safety & Wellbeing Team



Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to Dylan F who has passed his green belt grading in Kung Fu. Also Delilah S has competed in a triathlon and done very well to come in 10th place. Well done

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

