



William Penn Newsletter 21st May 2015

Half Term

We wish you all a restful half term next week. The first day back at school is Monday 1st June 2015.

BBC 500 Word Competition News

Inspired by Comic Relief, budding author, Dylan Clements wrote this magical story for the BBC 500 Word competition and came in the top 50 for his age group. Hear his fantastic story, read by Rhiannon Needs at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/2XRYj07zyxS5QVtyj3r5Ksx/the-blue-ribbon>

Governors' Summer BBQ Tickets Reminder

We are now taking ticket pre-orders for the Governors' Summer BBQ. The BBQ has been organised to help raise funds towards the school new build. The first phase of building is for a much needed new classroom with an attached breakout room to be used for Group Teaching and Special Educational Needs. The cost to build the classroom is £265,000. Currently we have raised £109,000 and need to start the work this year in order to keep our planning permission. The William Penn Governing Body are working very hard applying to various governmental departments and grant schemes, but as always every little helps! Tickets for the BBQ are only £5 per adult and £2.50 per child and include entrance and one BBQ item. In addition to fundraising, the event will give us all a chance to get together and celebrate another great year at the school whilst enjoying some fantastic live entertainment. A pre-order form for tickets to the Governors' Summer BBQ was sent home with all children last week and is also attached with this newsletter. Please return to the school office with payment and feel free to invite family and friends. Tickets will be handed out after half term. Many thanks for your support.

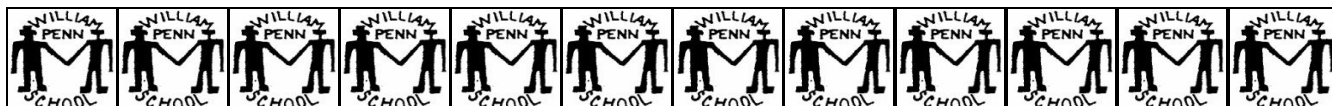
PTA Fete Update

- Raffle tickets will be coming home in school bags today. We would be grateful if you could sell them over the half term break. Extra books are available from the school office should you require more tickets.
- We would like to ask all parents to try and help towards getting prizes for the tree of fortune and the raffle. This can be done by asking for donations from businesses as well as restaurants
- Please be reminded that this year's fete fancy dress competition will be Native American in theme
- Finally, can we ask that parents don't forget to use the giving machine website when doing online purchases as this helps to raise money for the school at no extra cost. The website address is www.thegivingmachine.co.uk and if any parents are unsure about how to use it or would like more information they can contact Fadoua Amrani at fadoua@smartbizsolutions.co.uk.

William Penn Violinists

Two of our pupils, Isabelle Storey and Joshua Bernardi have played their violins with the String Academy and some of the world's finest young string players from the Yehudi Menuhin School at the opening of the Shipley Arts Festival at Windlesham House School.

Isabelle and Joshua played alongside seventy string players and were conducted by composer Malcolm Singer and Andrew Bernardi pictured below rehearsing together in the world class Yehudi Menuhin Hall.





Kinder Living Show Competition

The children from the Eco Club entered 6 exhibits into the Primary School competition at the Kinder Living Show last weekend. The judges and sponsor were very impressed with our 6 entries and decided to give them 3rd prize (£50 worth of vouchers from Covers Builders). The entries consisted of collage work using recycled plastic milk bottle tops. They will be on view in the 'Jack and the Beanstalk upcycled garden' in the school grounds.

Pupil Achievements

If you have any pupil achievements that you would like mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail the **office**:
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