

William Penn Newsletter April 18th 2023

Summer Term and the Coronation

Welcome back to William Penn and the start of the Summer Term. We are looking forward to the usual summer activities such as Sports Day and May Day. We also have the addition of the King Charles III's Coronation to the diary. We will be celebrating on 5th May, which has been added to the calendar below.



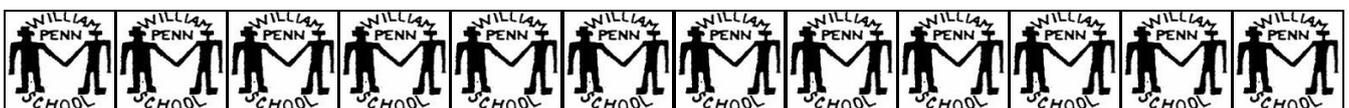
On this day, children are invited to wear clothes of their own choice. Class teachers will choose activities for the children, and there will be a celebration tea in the afternoon. We would request that each pupil brings a plated tea for their own consumption. Nuts are not allowed.

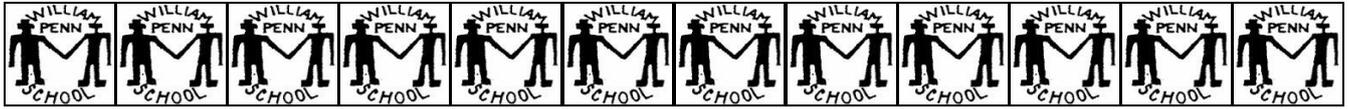
Term Dates 2022-2023 (revised)

April 2023	
17 th	Summer Term commences
May 2023	
1 st	Bank Holiday
5 th	Non-uniform for 'Coronation Celebrations'
8 th	Bank Holiday for King Charles III's Coronation
w/o 8 th (commencing 9 th)	Test Week for Years 5&6
19 th	May Day Celebration 1.30pm
26 th	May Day Celebration Rain Off 1.30pm
29 th – 2 nd June inclusive	Half term
June 2023	
7 th	Open Day for parents to visit school
7 th	Welcome Meeting for new parents 7pm
8 th (pm) and 15 th (am)	New intake taster sessions and school transition times
19 th	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
20 th – 23 rd	Residential for Years 5&6
23 rd	Parents' Assembly at 2.15pm – to be rearranged
30 th	Sports Day 1.30pm
July 2023	
7 th	Sports Day Rain Off 1.30pm
10 th	Annual Pupil Reports to Parents
12 th	Parent Consultation Evening 3.15pm-6pm
TBC	Years 6 Visit to the Blue Idol
21 st	William Penn End of Year Leavers' Assembly – last day of term for pupils

Term Dates 2023-2024

September 2023	
1 st	Autumn Term commences – first day of term for pupils
4 th	Class Welcome Meeting (Cadbury) at 3.30pm
5 th	Class Welcome Meeting (Fox) at 3.30pm
6 th	Class Welcome Meeting (Fry) at 3.30pm
7 th	Class Welcome Meeting (JBB) at 3.30pm
October 2023	
3 rd and 5 th	Parent Consultation Evening 3.15pm-6pm
4 th	Open Day for parents to visit school
19 th	Harvest Festival Parents' Assembly 2.15pm
20 th	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
23 rd – 27 th inclusive	Half term





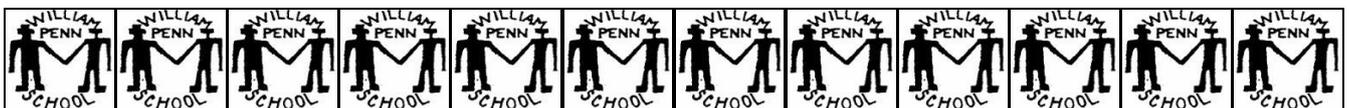
30 th	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
November 2023	
24 th	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
December 2023	
13 th	Christmas Nativity Performance at Christ's Hospital
14 th	Christmas Party Lunch
15 th	Last day of Term
January 2024	
2 nd	Spring Term commences
16 th	Open Day for parents to visit school
February 2024	
12 th – 16 th inclusive	Half term
19 th	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
March 2024	
19 th and 21 st	Parent Consultation Evenings 3.15pm-6pm
28 th	Last day of Spring Term and Parents' Assembly 2.15pm
April 2024	
15 th	Summer Term commences
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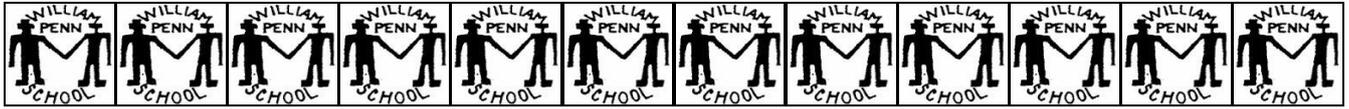
Digital Leaders

William Penn uses a programme called Purple Mash to deliver the Computing Curriculum and has consequently elected children from years three, four, five and six to be Digital Leaders.

The leaders will have great responsibility within the school as they will:

- Ensure laptops and Chromebooks are fully charged
- Increase usage of equipment within the school,
- Report malfunctioning equipment,
- Offer homework help,
- Produce a termly insert for the newsletter for parents with advice about Purple Mash and other technology at home.





The leaders will be able to help, support and advise pupils from all year groups and they will inform pupils on internet safety features such as the *Smart* rules. They will also show teachers, governors and parents how to make the most of the internet. The leaders will be identifiable as they are equipped with badges.

By Esme (Year 6)

The Daily Mile Track and Woodland Area

There have been some developments in the school's project to install a Daily Mile Track. After many holdups, we are pleased that work on this will begin towards the end of May. In a change to previous plans, the track will link the playground to the woodland. The School Council is meeting to discuss and incorporate these developments in to the ongoing Woodland Area project. Further updates will follow.

Easter Bonnets

We enjoyed seeing the array of Easter bonnets before the holiday. Please see the picture below to see the creativity and hard work.



Safeguarding/ Health and Safety/Wellbeing Update

Collecting Children from School

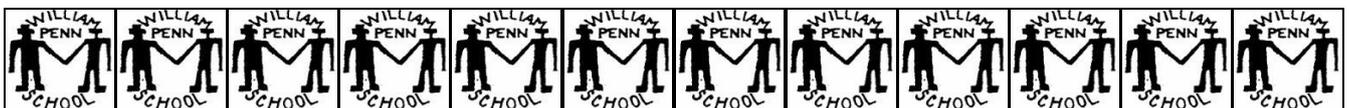
Please be reminded that the school office should be notified with as much notice as possible, should arrangements for collection change. We realise that in some cases changes happen at the last minute, but more notice enables us to inform class teachers and pupils of changes.

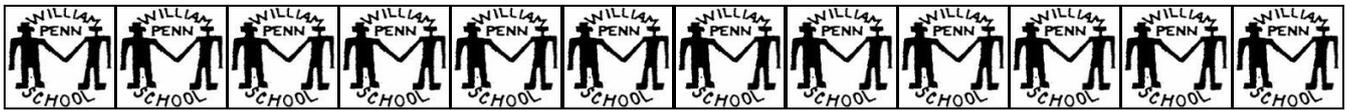
Pupil Achievements Outside of School

Congratulations to Esmé B who has achieved her British Theatre Bronze award for Street Dance.

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

Friday Golden Assembly Awards 31.03.2023





	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden	<p>Grace For having such a fantastic term. You have been such a delight and a pleasure to have in Cadbury all term. Well done Gracie!</p>	<p>Marnie J For having such a positive mindset to all her learning. She is always keen to share her ideas and the joy she brings to the class is fantastic!</p>	<p>Henry For being such a wonderful asset to Fox class. His passion for learning and his outstanding behaviour has been a delight to watch.</p>	<p>Jenson For always being ready to contribute during lessons. You always have great ideas to share. Well done Jenson!</p>	<p>Grace For working so hard through assessment week. You were so focused and worked so hard. You showed such a positive attitude. Well done Grace!</p>	<p>Dylan For his enthusiastic approach to new learning. He is always prepared to give things a go, using prior knowledge to support him</p>	<p>Shayla For being prepared to revisit work and improve it. She is able to take on ideas and learn from her mistakes. Great mindset.</p>
Star Writer/Reader	<p>Lola-Rose For producing excellent, consistent handwriting, making the letters the same size and neat.</p>	<p>Arthur For being so enthusiastic about reading this term, including bringing in his own books to share with the class. He is really climbing his way through the book bands, and is determined to reach the top!</p>	<p>Betsy A For always having her hand up offering to read aloud in front of the rest of the class. She never lets any daunting words put her off, and tries her absolute hardest.</p>	<p>Jac For always being keen to read. It is a real joy to see how much your love reading. Keep it up Jac!</p>	<p>Violet For being such an enthusiastic reader. Your love of books is a delight to see. Thank you for introducing the class to new books.</p>	<p>Josh For being such an avid reader. He loves any opportunity to read and then uses ideas in his writing. Great attitude.</p>	<p>Cherry For always having a book on the go. She is passionate about reading and is always prepared to share her enthusiasm about books with the class.</p>

