

William Penn Newsletter – 24th May 2024

May Day Celebrations

Thank you to those who were able to come and celebrate May Day with us in style. We even received an email from one of the neighbours saying:

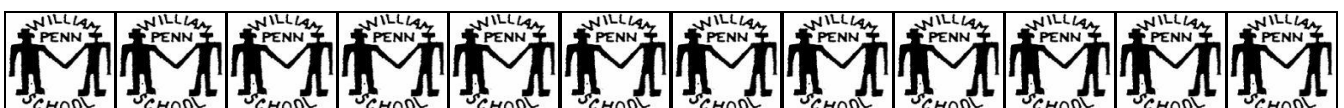
I just wanted to write to say what a pleasure it was while sitting in my garden to be able to listen to the lovely sound of the traditional May Pole dancing and children enjoying themselves. It took me back to when my daughters attended William Penn and participated in the British tradition. Thank you.

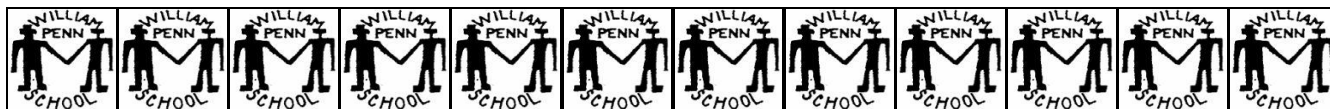
In JBB, Reggie really enjoyed watching the parents cheer on their children. Emerson loved being the Sweep as he got to be dragged around. Andrew enjoyed having a picnic with parents and the whole day in general. Flo enjoyed the dances and the colourful costumes. Oliver was happy because he could spend time with his mum and have ice cream. For Josh, it was the end of Primary School fun and very enjoyable being a jester. Maisie loved being the May Queen. Spencer enjoyed skipping with the ribbon to make the spider's web. Violet really enjoyed being in charge of the music.

The PTA writes:

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for the Mayday celebrations! We and the children truly enjoyed having you all there. A special shout out for supporting the event by purchasing ice cream, as we managed to raise £108 for the school PTA.

The money the PTA has raised so far has been put towards entry to the children's parade, music lessons for KS2, the science day, and new reading books. It's amazing to see how these contributions are directly benefiting the students and enhancing their educational experiences. The support from parents/caregivers and donors truly makes a significant difference in the school community.





ROLL UP ROLL UP

With the Summer Fair fast approaching next month, the PTA is seeking any volunteers who would be able to help out at the event on Sunday 30th June. We will be devising a rota per stall, so your time wouldn't be needed for the full duration of the fair. If you are able to spare a few hours on the day then we would be most grateful for your time. Please let the PTA know if you would be able to help by touching base via our email below.

There is also the opportunity if you would like to host your own stall at the event if you have a business to share with the school community. Please get in touch with the PTA to find out more.

Our email is: williampennpta@outlook.com

PLANNING ON HAVING A DECLUTTER OVER THE MAY HALF TERM BREAK?

The PTA kindly requests donations of unwanted board games and children's books, all in good condition, for our upcoming Summer Fair. If you have anything you wish to donate then please drop them off at the **donation boxes** located at the gate during **drop-off** and **pick-up** times.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

DONATIONS REQUIRED



Horsham Parade on Sunday 7th July

I hope you have all received the Children's Parade letter sent out this week. If there is any more interest in joining the parade, please can you let me know. We have started making our main parade piece and we look forward to welcoming Paul on Friday 14th June to help us make all the other exciting props. We will continue to keep you updated. Thank you for your support with this exciting new event for our school.

Ms Passfield

Dates for your diaries in June:

6.6.24 Thursday 3:30pm: Whole School Parent Meeting
 11.6.24 Tuesday 3:30pm: Whole School Parent Meeting
 12.6.24 Pollination Education Station 3:15pm: Parent Plant Swap
 17.6.24 INSET day: school will be closed to pupils
 28.6.24 Friday 1:30pm: Sports Day
 30.6.24 Sunday 11am – 3pm: School Fare

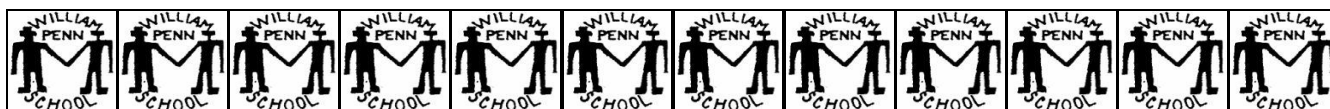
Have a wonderful half term holiday. We look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Monday 10th June.

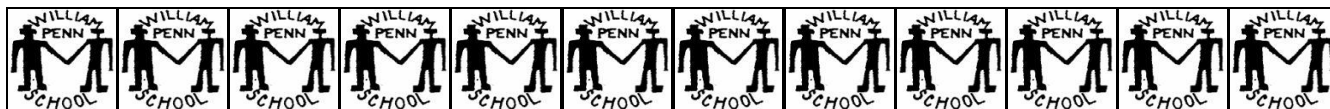
Pupil Achievements Outside of School

Congratulations to Reggie who took part on his pony Jack at Hiskstead. He came 8th out of 40 in a 70cm Jumping Competition.

Well done Marnie L for reaching Level 3 and Lola Rose for reaching Level 1 in your Learn to Swim classes.

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





Friday Golden Assembly Awards 24.5.24

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Golden children	Francesca For being a responsible member of Cadbury class. She always looks out for her friends and is attentive and focused on her work. Well done Francesca.	Grace For having a terrific week this week. You have applied yourself to so much of your learning, particularly when writing a recipe for a caterpillar salad.	Bella For being so proud of your efforts in our grammar session this week. You were so driven to succeed that you doubled the required amount of writing! Well done!	Betsy You have been able to share your ideas in class when talking about deforestation and were able to write a great balanced argument.	Jac For amazing computing skills this week. You had so much knowledge that you were even able to help the teacher! Well done Jac.	Lennon For working so hard on his independent writing, creating stories and non-fiction texts, using imagination and resilience.	Rufus For really taking his time to produce a fantastic poster on the Vikings. He drew on all his prior learning to create an informative text.
Presentation Star	Archer For always trying your hardest with your handwriting and having your confidence grow in writing. You are doing so well, well done Archer!	Ava For producing an exemplary set of instructions in English. You made sure each step was well presented on a new line, making it easy for the reader to follow. Keep up the fab effort Ava!	Arthur For really focusing on your handwriting recently. You are remembering to keep your letters to an appropriate size so that your work is starting to look wonderful. Keep it up Arthur!	Arlo For excellent use of time to improve your writing. You worked carefully to form your letters and wrote neatly on the line. Your writing flowed well to write a great balanced argument!	Dexter You had so many brilliant ideas that you were able to share with others. You then used your time wisely to write up your argument forming your letters carefully and using paragraphs well.	Rory Your presentation was stunning in your animal fact file and your comic strip about Vikings was colourful, engaging and neat!	Maisie Your resilience to produce a leaflet to demonstrate your knowledge of Vikings was fantastic – it looked great and was informative! You clearly took your time to present it well.

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Golden Children	Kingsley For being such a delight in Cadbury Class. He always has a smile on his face and such a positive outlook to everything. He brings joy to others and his energetic nature inspires all of his classmates. Well done Kingsley!	Beaux For always being so incredibly polite and welcoming to everyone in Fox class. You go out of your way to check in with all your classmates and even the adults. Thank you for all you do. Well done Beaux!	Archie For being absolutely outstanding when practising for May Day! You skipped around so merrily with everyone cheering you on! We are looking forward to watching you again this afternoon! Well done Archie!	Charlie For excellent drawings in English when trying to visualise rainforests through art this week when looking at our new book.	Zack For excellent research skills finding answers to his rainforest questions in English. You were able to retrieve lots of interesting information. Excellent effort.	Clayne For showing such determination and resilience when completing your maths tests this week. They have been difficult but your growth mindset has allowed you to succeed. Keep it up Clayne!	Alfie For planning and carrying out a scientific experiment to test the strengths of different glue types. You followed the method impeccably and found some interesting results. Well done Alfie!
Presentation Star	Harrison For taking his time to write what a super sidekick for Supertato should be able to do. You tried so hard to write your sentence and did a fantastic job, well done Harrison!	Elena For really focusing on your presentation when writing your own animal rescue story. You even felt brave enough to perform it in front of the class, well done!	Marnie M For producing a marvellous animal rescue story, inspired by our class text. You have already developed a unique style of writing which makes it so enjoyable to read. Well done Marnie!	Layla B For excellent letter formation and improvement with her hand writing this week in English. Well done!	William For outstanding maths presentation - you always follow our presentation rules - using rulers, one number per square and no doodles!	Violet For drawing a bar chart to show the results of your science experiment. Despite making errors to begin with, you decided to start again and your effort really paid off – a fantastically presented graph. Well done Violet!	Reggie For creating a beautifully presented bar graph to reflect your experiment findings. You enjoyed making sure each graph axis was to scale and each bar was the same width. Keep up this superb effort Reggie!

