William Davis Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter Friday April 30th 2021

Message from the Headteacher

It is great to feel that school is beginning to feel like a normal busy school again. We still have our covid systems in place; but everybody is back at school learning together.We are able to celebrate successes in the classroom and beyond. This week we say well done to Year 5 for coming 2nd in the THs Sumdog competition; Yr 6 came 4th; and Tansiha Yr 6 came 6th in the individual competition.

Attendance

Nursery-79%
Reception- 92%
Yr 1- 96%
Yr 2- 100%
Yr 3- 90%
Yr 4- 97%
Yr 5- 91%
Yr 6 - 94%

The class with the best attendance is Yr 2 with100% - well done!

WD Wrap Around Care

Wrap around Care is available for all children. Contact Forida on the admin email if you want to book sessions. All information is available on the website: http://www.williamdavis.org.uk/william-davis-wraparound-care.html

Parent Gentle Reminders

-Please drop off children in a timely manner; if you have to drive, please park properly and escort your children to the gate safely.
-Please make sure children are supervised at home time; remember they are in your care. School equipment has been packed away for the day.
-Please remember to pay for clubs (online payments preferred) with Forida.
-Please bring back all school books; if we lend books they must be returned.
-Please don't bring in sweets for birthdays- we're trying hard to be Sugar Smart.

Safeguarding children

Please ensure that you have parental controls on your child's digital devices. We have had an incident this week which has shown us that some children are being exposed to websites that are not age-appropriate. Let us know if you need support to implement this; or if you are worried about your child.

POETRY BY HEART

Ye Spotted Snakes

by William Shakespeare

Ye spotted snakes with double tongue,
Thorny hedgehogs, be not seen;
Newts and blindworms, do no wrong,
Come not near our fairy Queen.

Philomele, with melody
Sing in our sweet lullaby;
Lulla, lulla, lullaby, lulla, lulla, lullaby:
Never harm
Nor spell nor charm,
Come our lovely lady nigh;
So, good night, with lullaby.

Weaving spiders, come not here;
Hence, you long-legged spinners, hence!
Beetles black, approach not near;
Worm nor snail, do no offence.

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Star of the Week

Geetika Yr 5 was chosen to be Star of the Week because she completed additional research in history at home. She has created a fantastic 3D model of a Mayan pyramid and compiled a Mayan fact file. We are very impressed with her enthusiasm, effort and artistic skills! Well done!

School is closed on Monday May 3rd for May Bank Holiday

Important dates

Mon 3rd May- May Bank Holiday- school closed
Wed 12th or Thur 13th May Eid- school closed
Mon 17th May Yr 1- 1 pm; Yr 2 - 2 pm RHE Zoom for parents
Wed 19th May Yr 3 - 1 pm; Yr4- 2 pm RHE Zoom for parents
Thur 20th May Yr 5- 1 pm Yr 6 - 2 pm RHE Zoom for parents
Mon 31st May- Fri 4th June 2021 half term holiday
Fri 16th July - school closes

Community Ambassadors

Thank you to our community ambassadors for designing beautiful thank you cards for Jake and Charlotte, our volunteer gardeners.

Nursery and Reception Children

We still have places in Nursery and Reception for September 2021. Please speak to Forida if you have a child at home ready to start school or Nursery; she can help you with the application.

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Idea Store – Every Child a Reader

Over the past year, children missed out on chances to explore reading for pleasure. Idea Stores are the perfect place to engage children with books.

Borrowing Books

Idea Stores are now open seven days a week: https://www.ideastore.co.uk/about-us. Children and families are encouraged to browse and choose their favourite books.

Membership

Membership is done online, here: https://www.ideastore.co.uk/join-today. Parents fill in the online form for children, obtain a temporary membership number, then collect their library cards on their next visit to Idea Store. An adult signature is needed for access to PCs in the library.

Leaflets

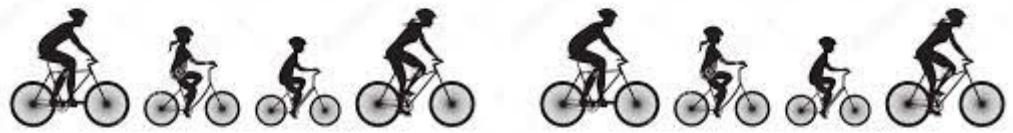
In line with government's regulations, our children's activities are suspended, and our standard leaflets cannot be used. We run a programme of online events, and I attach the leaflet. You are welcome to print it off and distribute it to families as a way of encouraging contact with Idea Stores. The programme is also available online here: https://www.ideastore.co.uk/children-families.

Cycle Training for adults and families

www.bikeworks.org.uk

Family cycle training courses (during school holidays) - for parents and kids between 3 and 6.

Cycle skills for adults (start from complete beginners) - 5 hours of one-to-one (or in pairs if preferred) free training with a qualified cycle instructor. Female cycling instructors can be requested. Bikes provided if needs be. Cycle skills sessions last for one or two hours and are available at a time and day of the week that suits you. Training is available for complete beginners through to experienced cyclists.

Cycle commuter training - a professional instructor will help individuals plan and ride the safest and most convenient route from home to work. Each participant is entitled to two such hourly sessions.

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