



Weekly Newsletter Friday September 24th 2021

Message from the Headteacher

This week Martin led an assembly on **National Fitness Day**; he reminded children why it's important to keep our bodies fit & healthy. We can do this by eating sensibly & making sure we have daily exercise. We hope that children are enjoying the class Fit Start sessions; thank you for making sure children are here on time.

Stars of the Week



Two children were chosen to be Star of the Week:

Arifa Yr 3 was chosen for showing creativity in art lessons.

Jahid Yr 5 was chosen for being so enthusiastic in class; working hard, and always doing his best.

Important dates

Mon 27th Sept 4 pm Yr 7 tea party

Mon 25th Oct half term holiday

Mon 1st Nov school starts

Tue 2nd Nov parent conferences

Thurs 11th Nov school closed local election

Mon 20th Dec Christmas holiday starts

Tue 4th Jan spring term starts

Mon 23rd- 27th May 2022 Gorsefield Yr 6

Please check the website for further information

<http://www.williamdavis.org.uk/>

or speak to the school office.

Parents meetings

Thank you to all parents who attended the parents meetings. Transition information for Year 6 is held by Florida; please collect from the office. Banding information won't be given to children directly.

Felix Project

Felix project food distribution on Fridays at **3 pm in the front entrance**; all welcome but particularly those in need.

Fitstart

Children start at 8:45; we are offering 15 minutes of physical exercise. Please be punctual. Please make sure that your children are here for every session. They will feel the benefits!

Attendance

N- 88%

R- 86%

1- 95%

2- 87%

3- 96%

4- 97%

5- 97%

6- 98%

Well done to Year 6 they achieved 98% attendance.

WD Wrap Around Care

Wrap around Care is available for all children. Contact Florida 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>

St Matthews Choir

From September, Choir Church will run after school on **Thursdays from 4pm-5pm**. See Annika or the office if you want to sign up.

Election Closure

Please note that we have been informed that we will need to close **November 11th** for a local election.

Clubs

Clubs will start on 20th September. Talk to Martin if there's a club you would like to see on the timetable. Talk to Annika if you think you could run a club for the children.

Parent Concerns

We are holding class meetings next week. If you need to speak to your teacher 1-1 please request a phone call or meeting.

Parent Sessions

Coffee Morning on Wednesdays 9-10 am Parents Rm run by Yasmin

Toy Library on Thursdays 9-10 am run by Rubina and Amina
All welcome

Wanted Duplo or Lego

Our After School club children really want to play with duplo or lego. Do any families have any duplo or lego that they are no longer playing with? We are happy to use it in school.

Safeguarding and First Aid

Please see below for our First Aid actions and our Safeguarding procedures.

Water Challenge Homework



Please see below for a great homework challenge for your child/ children. Deadline September 29th. Return the advert to Annika.

Covid Reminders

If your child is **symptomatic** (has covid symptoms) please keep them at home and get a PCR test for them as soon as possible. Call and let us know why they are off. We will let you know if there is a positive case in school, however we won't send children or vaccinated staff home unless symptomatic. Close contacts will need to get a PCR test.

First Aid Information



Minor Injuries - first aid is administered and this is recorded in the Minor Injuries folder; **parents aren't informed.**

Injuries to Head, Face, Mouth- first aid is administered in the office unless the child is immobile; Head or Deputy are informed; **accident form is completed for parents; parents informed by phone;** teachers informed.

Injuries to Body or Limbs if there is bruising, swelling or bleeding first aid is administered in the office unless the child is immobile; Head or Deputy are informed; **accident form is completed for parents; parents informed by phone if directed by SLT;** teachers informed.

Safeguarding Procedures

It is our duty to ensure that children at William Davis are safe. We believe that:

- The **welfare of the child is paramount** as enshrined in the Children Act 1989
- All children regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have a **right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse**

William Davis have a number policies that help to keep children safe including the:

- Behaviour Policy and Anti-bullying Policy
- Child Protection Policy and the DFE Keeping Children Safe in Education KCSiE,
- Tower Hamlets Guidance on Children Missing from Education ,
- Complaints Procedure
- Internet Acceptable Use Agreement

Staff are trained to:

- in an **emergency take the action necessary** to help the child (including calling 999)
- **report a concern** about a child (possible harm) as soon as possible to the **DSL**
- **complete a record of concern** - on the yellow staff disclosure form

DSL: Designated Safeguarding Leads - Annika and Charlotte

The DSL will make a decision whether to phone the **Social Care MASH team or Early help** for advice. We do not make the judgement as to when the threshold has been met for a referral.

- In some situations **the DSL will ask to speak to the parents or carers** about the disclosure or concern.
- In some cases **social care will ask the school to invite the parents or carers in** to talk to the **police or social worker**. This can be upsetting for families.

Please contact Annika if you would like further information about our procedures.

Our Child Protection Policy and Complaints Procedure is on our WD website.

Rich Mix ESOL lessons

Creative ESOL

(click for more information)

Wednesday 1pm – 3pm
Rich Mix Boardroom

Autumn dates

Assessment: 22/09, 29/09

Course: 06/10, 13/10, 20/10,
03/11, 10/11, 17/11, 24/11, 01/12,
08/12

Creative ESOL Course

This is a 9 week course which is aimed at ESOL learners who are interested in creative activity.

This fun and happy course will help you to develop your English through creative approaches to ESOL teaching including arts & crafts, drama, storytelling and access to a wide range of opportunities at Rich Mix. The course also aims to increase your confidence and skills for looking for jobs and volunteering and accessing local services.

Assessment Dates: 22/09, 29/09
Course Dates: 06/10, 13/10, 20/10, 03/11, 10/11, 17/11, 24/11, 01/12, 08/12

Time: 1pm – 3pm
Place: Rich Mix
35 -47 Bethnal Green Road,
E1 6LA

To book your place please contact
Tracy Barbe: Schools and Outreach at Rich Mix
tracy.barbe@richmix.org.uk



Idea Store Learning

Ideas Store Story Times

Story Time is back!

Click on this link to find out more about storytimes at the library.



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From Monday 13 September



THAMES Children's Choir

Starts Monday 20 September

The THAMES Children's Choir is an exciting singing group for children aged 7-11 in Tower Hamlets led by outstanding music directors. It is free to attend.

This term we will be holding some in-person sessions at Cayley Primary School and some sessions on Zoom. Sessions take place on Mondays, 4.30-5.30pm.

To find out more and register click below:

[Singing Projects](#)



Water Challenge

Why should we only drink water?

Water is better for you:

- ★ Water is essential for life. Drinking water can help to make us feel more alert and energetic, support concentration, improve the condition of our skin and hair and help to get rid of waste products from the body.
- ★ Choosing healthier drinks is a key part of getting a balanced diet. Swapping sugary drinks for water is a great first step. Water is sugar free and kind to teeth.
- ★ Guidelines say we should drink 6 to 8 glasses of fluid a day. Water is also low cost and calorie free.



Water is better for the environment:

- ★ Refilling water bottles in school or at water fountains helps to reduce single-use plastic waste. The average adult Londoner buys more than 3 plastic bottles a week, this works out to 175 bottles every year per person!

In truth, water is the best choice, but currently it's not always seen that way.

The challenge

We are asking primary children to help develop an advertising campaign to promote these messages. One that can inspire everyone between the ages of 4 and 18 in London to drink only water in school. We want this to be a message 'from the young people of London, for the young people of London'. It should feel inspiring and powerful but also honest about the benefits.

What do I need to create?

- ★ The winning idea will be used in outdoor and print advertising in London, so your idea **should be something visual**.
- ★ This isn't a TV advert, so your ideas need to **use pictures/ words/ designs**.
- ★ The team aren't looking for the best artist, or the best use of computer graphics — they're looking **for the best idea**, which can be **described in words or images**. So, a simple **sketch or slogan will have as much chance of winning as a beautiful design**.
- ★ Draw it by hand, design it on a computer, paint it, photograph it. Whatever you think shows your idea best.
- ★ We suggest something like 1 A4 page (portrait or landscape) would be the best thing to submit so they can see how the idea works.
- ★ Your idea for the advert should speak for itself, so you don't need to submit any 'explanation'.

What happens next?

The winning submission (chosen by a team of industry experts) will get the chance to work with designers at a top London advertising agency to bring their concept to life as an actual piece of outdoor or print advertising, with expenses paid and lunch provided.



Some final things to consider

- ★ Think about the type of message that would motivate YOU.
- ★ Imagine you are seeing this advert in your local area, perhaps in your local station on your way into school. It should make you take notice and feel motivated to do something differently.

How do I enter?

Bring your entry in to school **by Wednesday 29th September** or send your entry directly to: WaterOnly@london.gov.uk.

Along with your name, school, postcode and age.

Entries close on Friday 1 October 2021.

Good luck from London's child obesity taskforce!