# William Morris Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup>May 2016



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It has been a very studious week here at William Morris School. The Year 6s are to be commended for all there very hard work when undertaking their SATs tests. We are very proud of you all and your hard work and efforts will all be worth it. The Year 6s celebrated the end of their week with a fabulous SATs party. Thank you to Mrs Brice and Mrs Ledger in Year 6 for all your hard work in getting our children ready.

## Summer Fayre

Please pop into the office to see if you can help in anyway with the 'Big Event' which will be happening on **2<sup>nd</sup> July 2016**, put it in your diaries so you don't miss out! Any and all help will be very welcome and much appreciated by your children.

## WM Round Up

This week our Round Up investigative journalists have been Georgina Dodds and Kiara Rees.

Nursery: Nursery have been acting out the story of Jack and the beanstalk.

**Foundation Stage**: Foundation Stage have been exploring Numicon. They have also been playing snakes and ladders and climb the beanstalk in maths.

**Year 1**: Year 1 have been learning about multiplication using playdough, Numicon and plastic dinosaurs. They have also been re-telling the Little Red Hen story with lots of expression.

Year 2: Year 2 have been using Numicon to explore multiplication. They have also been talking about nature.

Year 3/4: Year 3/4 have been learning new zap games and continuing to learn about World War II.

**Year 4/5**: Year 4/5 enjoyed a trip to Hill End for a Viking day. They invaded a Saxon village, made bread, fired a bow and arrow and had a battle which the Anglo Saxons won.

**Year 5/6**: This week Year 5/6 have been doing SATs and making desert islands. They had a SATs party today because we are all so proud of them for being so mature and trying their best during the tests.

## Value of the Week

This week we have been looking at 'Responsibility'. We have been talking about being able to take responsibility for our actions and for what we say to one another. We have seen lots of responsible and mature attitudes this week out on the playground and in class. A big well done to everyone. The competition is heating up with a couple classes in the lead – keep going everyone, I wouldn't like to guess who the overall winners will be!

## Star of the Week

Nursery (am): Olivia Needle Nursery (pm): Annabelle-Rose Foundation Stage: Iga Twardowska Year 1: Mitchell McDonagh Year 2: Rosie Stoton Year 3/4: Kuba Olszewski Year 4/5: Rianna Latham Year 5/6: Georgina Dodds



#### 'Operation Monty'

Mrs Wright and Mr Needle are still on a mission! If you did not receive the initial letter please contact the office to let them know and we can get you a new one. We are urgently needing support through giving up of time as well as

any gardening resources. If you know of anyone in the 'garden' industry who would support us then that would be another very welcome help.

## Longford Park Primary Update

The County Council have taken the decision not to open our sister school, Longford Park, this year. The official school opening will now be delayed until September 2017.

## William Morris Nursery

Please spread the word that our lovely nursery still has **places available for September 2016**. Contact the office for more details.

## Notices

The next fortnight will be KS1 SATs. We wish all our Year 2s good luck and try your best. Wednesday 25<sup>rd</sup> May will be our Sports Day at school, we would love to see as many family members as possible there to support our pupils. We will begin the KS1 and KS2 afternoon at 1pm sharp. The last day of this term, Friday 27<sup>nd</sup> May, is going to be a non-uniform day - £1.

## Farewells

It is with great sadness that the school says goodbye to two extremely valued members of staff. Sharon Douglas-Gilbert will be leaving us at the end of the term for pastures new. Sharon has worked at William Morris for 15 years but has been particularly busy this year in the Nursery whilst she has covered Vikki Murray's maternity leave. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to the William Morris community. We will miss you and we wish you the best in your new venture.

We are also very sad to have lost Tracy Simms. Ms Simms has been at William Morris for 16 years and I'm quite sure she has felt part of the furniture. She is the lady who knows about everything and knows where everything is – very handy indeed. Tracy is going to be greatly missed and we thank her for all that you have done for this community over the years. All the best.

Mr Bayliss has also left our school and we thank him for his service.

To celebrate and to say thank you to Mrs Douglas-Gilbert and Ms Simms, we are going to be hosting a Farewell Picnic at 12pm on Sport's Day. All children will be eating together outside on the grass where we will also have various games and activities on the field. We would like to invite any parents who wish to come and picnic with their children on the school field to do so and then stay on for Sports Day. We are also going to be having a Foundation Stage Sports Day before lunch



at 11am. FS parents are welcome to stay on after Sports Day for a picnic lunch too. All children who would normally get a hot school dinner, will be provided with a packed lunch to eat outside.

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs	am		
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Football	3:15 - 4:15	Outside	
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Multi-skills & Activities	3:15 - 4:15	Outside/Y2	
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs	am		
Wed18 <sup>th</sup> May	Sway Dance Club today	3:15-4:15	Hall	
Wed18 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs	am		
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs	am		
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Lego Yr 1-6	3:15 - 4:15	Hall	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	NO Activities			

#### Dates for next week:

#### Have a great weekend and see you on Monday

Julie Hiddleston and the school team

