

# William Morris Newsletter

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### Four Seasons in One Day!

Rain, sleet, snow, wind, sunshine, hail, warmth and ice all in one week has made for some very unsettled weather, but that is all that has been unsettled on Bretch Hill. At William Morris we have had a superb week as everyone has settled down into the full swing of the Summer Term, including the new Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher!

### Summer Fayre

We had a very successful Friends of William Morris (FOWM) meeting on Tuesday where **Ms Wilson** and **Mrs Williams** swiftly took up the organisational reigns and have started the ball rolling. We really need some more help though; please do pop into the office or catch **Mrs Williams**, usually floating around year 6, and offer your support. These wonderful events don't just happen by osmosis and we will need lots of helpers. In particular, we would really appreciate any help in getting some top notch prizes for the auction and the raffle. If you work for a company or know someone who does that would be willing to **make a donation**, please speak to the office as soon as possible. **ALL the proceeds will go towards the purchase of a brand new and updated range of books for our School Library.** We desperately need some new material to go along with the imminent drive to raise the profile of reading in our school. The 'Big Event' will be happening on **2<sup>nd</sup> July 2016**, put it in your diaries so you don't miss out!

### Health and Safety



We have noticed that there are a large number of children around school with very damaged and broken plimsolls. Velcro plimsolls seem to be the particular culprits. Please check to see if your child's plimsolls are in good/safe condition. Adults in school will be keeping a close eye and will pop a note in book bags if new ones are needed. Thank you for your support in this.

### WM Round Up

Introducing a new regular piece to our newsletter, The **William Morris Round Up** is a brief report on the highlights from each class during the week. A few of the Year 6 children have taken a shine to investigative journalism and this week our information has been sourced from Journalists **Georgina Dodds**.

**Nursery** planted seeds to look at roots, stems and leaves growing.

**Foundation Stage** are reading Jack and the Beanstalk and going on a bear hunt.

**Year 1** have been learning a rhyme to help remember number bonds to 10.

**Year 2** made 3D shapes – they look amazing!

**Year 3/4** have been researching WWII – the gas masks are very authentic.

**Year 4/5** took part in sunflower workshops and are talking to them to make them grow.

**Year 5/6** have been working hard to use punctuation correctly in their writing.

### Value of the Week

Congratulations to Year 3/4 who were able to fox Ms Price and I in guessing who held the Golden Ticket last week. This week we have been working hard on '**Kindness**' and '**Being Kind**'. The Golden Ticket went out on Monday afternoon and all the adults have been on the look-out for many deeds of kindness, it is proving very difficult for us to work out which class is holding the ticket! Part of our work on 'Kindness' has been to embrace the theory of '**Pay It Forward**'. This is quite simply a system whereby good deeds are spread and 'passed on' as quickly as they are received. The idea is that if someone pays you a 'kindness', you then have to 'Pay It Forward' by doing something kind for 3 other people. By the time we have got to the end of the school day, we have all received and given kindness many times over. It has been immensely touching and pleasing to see how much your children have taken to the challenge and there is quite literally 'Kindness' around every corner! This week, we would like to extend the

challenge to families at home. Part of our 'Circle Time' in school this week will involve children sharing '**Pay It Forward**' stories from home



### Star of the Week

Nursery AM: Charlie Leonard & PM: Tehya Dell

Foundation Stage: Danny Baxter

Year 1: Rhys Heritage

Year 2: Codey Keyte

Year 3/4: Ben Kelsey & Connor Buckle

Year 4/5: Logan Reznor

Year 5/6: Summer King & Adam Doyle

### Active Silver Award

A huge achievement for the school and an even bigger one for **Ms Simms** who has been working tirelessly throughout the year in helping us achieve the Active Silver Award.

### Notices

Please don't forget to let the office know if you are attending the **Vision and Values evening on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May**.

We are a school that is going places and it is important that you as parents are a part of that journey.

**Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> May** is our Sports for School afternoon can all pupils please remember their **PE Kits**, Dominik Cunningham an Olympic Gymnast will be here at school for a fun filled afternoon.

**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. **Time will be 1:00pm-3:00pm.**

The last day of this term, **Friday 27<sup>nd</sup> May**, is going to be a **non-uniform day - £1**.

### Dates for next week:

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Tuesdays	Multi-skills & Activities	3:15 – 4:15	Outside/Y2	
Tuesdays	Guitar Lessons	morning	Year 5/6	Remember your guitars
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> May	NO Sway Dance Club today			
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Vision and Ethos Evening	5:45-7:00pm	Hall	Parents and Carers
Thursdays	Lego Yr 1-6	3:15 – 4:15	Hall	
Fridays	NO Activities			

Have a restful and well deserved Bank Holiday Weekend.

*Julie Hiddleston and the school team*