



William Penn Newsletter 20th June 2019

INSET Day Reminder

Please be reminded that the school will be closed to pupils on Monday 24th June as the staff and governors will be spending the day continuing to plan school development for the next school year and beyond.

Twitter



Our William Penn Twitter account is now live. Please do follow us.

Art Success Lions Competition

We were very pleased to be visited by Mr Buxton last week, representing the Billingshurst Lions. Mr Buxton awarded several prizes in assembly for entries to this year's Peace Poster competition. Class prizes went to Isabelle W-A, Faith B, Dylan F and Jessica L. Jessica also went on to the regional competition for which she was awarded a fantastic second position. Well done to all those that took part.

Summer Cream Tea

We would like to thank all those parents and friends of the school, staff and pupils alike, that all came together to spend a very enjoyable afternoon cream tea and barbecue last Saturday afternoon. It is obvious from all the positive feedback received that the event was greatly appreciated and everyone thoroughly enjoyed spending the time together ...as well as eating lots of fabulous cakes etc. In addition, the event raised much needed funds for the school, in the region of £1220!



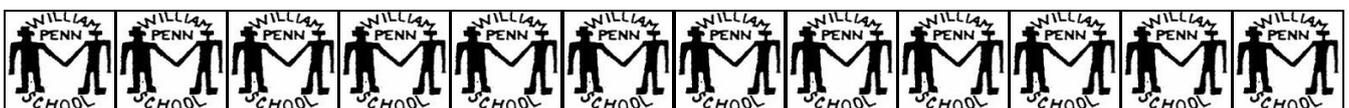
Staff News and Wrap-Around Care

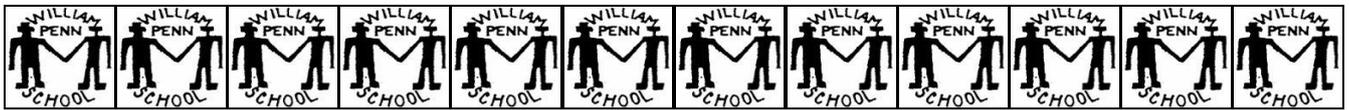
We are extremely pleased to welcome two new members of staff in the autumn term who will work as Higher Level Teaching Assistants. We are looking forward to working with Mrs Kimberley Thwaites and Mr Ian Chalmers who will be predominately based in Key Stage 2. As well as working with Mrs Constable in JBB and Mrs Peters and Mrs Sillett in Fry, Mrs Thwaites and Mr Chalmers will also be leading the after school provision allowing for children to be in school between 8am and 6pm to fit in with increasingly busy lives and family arrangements.

In further news, Mrs Debbie Jackson will not be returning to work at William Penn School.

Music Festival

On Monday evening, the children in the school choir joined with choirs from most of the locality schools at The Hawth Theatre in Crawley. They sang beautifully and entertained an enthusiastic and appreciative audience with a programme of well know songs linked to positive life values and the celebration of the ability of the individual to make a difference (regardless of age). The children were also very well behaved throughout.





Parents' Assembly

As you will know from the school calendar, the last Parents' Assembly of this school year will take place on June 28th. We will be staggering the start in order to make more room in the hall with Cadbury and Fox at 2.15pm and Fry and JBB at approximately 2.30pm. Please join us to celebrate the children's work.

West Sussex Libraries Summer Reading Challenge

This morning, Mrs Constable talked to the children in assembly about the West Sussex Libraries Summer Reading Challenge. As usual there are numerous opportunities to have fun whilst reading and this year there is an exciting Space theme. For more information and to sign up, please use the link below:

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/libraries/more-library-services/library-services-for-children-and-young-people/summer-reading-challenge/>

Andrew Bernardi – Violin Visit

We have recently been visited by Andrew Bernardi who, as well as being one of the school governors, is a professional violinist. Mr Bernardi entertained the children in assembly and they found out a great deal about the violin, with some being inspired to look in to learning to play themselves. If your child has asked you how to go about learning the violin in school, please contact:
West Sussex Music
Tel: 08452 082 182
Email: music@westsussexmusic.co.uk

Safeguarding Update

Sun Caution

As the weather improves we will be advising the children regarding staying safe in the sun. For example, we will encourage children to eat in the shade and drink plenty of water. Please ensure that your child has a full water bottle each morning and an application of sun cream before leaving home.

Pupil Achievements

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

