



William Penn Newsletter 11th October 2019

Parent Surveys

Thank you to all those parents that were able to fill out surveys at parents' consultations this week. The governors are always keen to reflect on provision and to take in to account parental views. If you took a survey with you, please hand it back in to the school office in confidence. We also have some spare copies in the school office if you haven't yet received one.

Staff Update and Job Opportunities at William Penn – The Friends Club and Teaching Assistant

As each week passes, our new 'Friends' Club continues to grow in popularity with the children enjoying good quality, affordable childcare and having great fun! If you haven't already registered, we would recommend that you do as you will then be able to use The Friends Club on an ad hoc basis as more parents are now doing. Without the registration form, we are not able to provide this service. Whilst it will not affect the running of the club in any way, unfortunately Mrs Thwaites is unable to continue her roles at William Penn due to personal circumstances. Interim arrangements have been put in place and adverts placed for permanent replacements on the West Sussex Website – Jobs for Schools section. If you are interested or know someone that might be, the link is included below.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobs/school-jobs/>

In further news, Miss Jazzmine Thomas will be joining the team at William Penn after half term as a teaching assistant and as part of the Friends Club staff. Many of our pupils will know Miss Thomas as she currently works at the Montessori Pre-School at Coolham Village Hall. We are looking forward to welcoming Miss Thomas.

Non-Uniform Days For Christmas Fayre

Please be reminded that the non-uniform days in support of the Christmas Fayre (Thursday 28th November) are as follows:

- Friday 11th October: donations for the Bottle Tombola
- Friday 25th November: donations for the Gift Tombola
- Friday 15th November: donations for the Chocolate and Sweets Stall

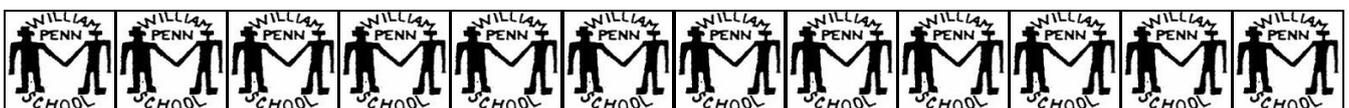
All donations are gratefully received.



Harvest Assembly

On Friday 18th October we will be holding our Harvest themed Parents' Assembly at 2.15pm. This will be followed by the sale of produce. On the morning of Friday 18th October, we will be putting together a display of produce and would kindly ask for donations such as flowers, cakes, preserves, groceries, fruit, vegetables, bread or similar such items that you can spare.

After the Harvest Assembly, you are invited to buy the produce at our Harvest sale in order to raise funds for our charity Kids for Kids. As a school, we have supported the Kids for Kids charity for several years and are responsible for providing more than 20 goats as part of a sustainable approach to supporting families in Sudan. We look forward to welcoming you





World War Two Topic Visit from Mr Toogood

Stella writes:

On Wednesday 2nd October, Mr Toogood, an expert on WWII paid JBB a stunning visit with a fun presentation and an interesting speech, full of facts, old and new. JBB learnt a lot of new things such as Germany's punishment after WWI and the Blitzreig, aswell as what happened at Dunkirk. Oscar, Year 6 Pupil said, "I was very impressed with all the things I learnt today – I thought I knew it all but Mr Toogood proved me wrong!"



Children in Need 2019



Whilst the official Children in Need day is Friday the 15th

November, William Penn School are planning to celebrate Pudsey day a week later on **Friday 22nd November**. William Penn pupils have chosen to celebrate it by having a cake sale –run by the school council. Also the school council have voted and chosen to wear PJ'S and slippers. In addition to this, you will have to

bring casual shoes – for break time and lunch time. If you don't want to bring any pyjamas or slippers you may wear a spotty top instead. Remember to bring in a donation as all the money raised will go to the charity Children In Need.

Safeguarding Update

Please be reminded that the responsibility for pupils attending parents' consultations rests with parents. We would suggest that they remain with parents at all times. If parents would like to speak to the teachers without their children present and have no child care arrangements, one solution might be to book a place at The Friends Club.

Recycling and Raising Money for William Penn School

We are extremely pleased to inform you that the recycling at school and other local sites has not only saved a huge amount of material from landfill but also raised a considerable amount for the school. We are shortly to receive £600 which will be used to improve the school environment for our pupils, focussing on the pond area initially.

We would like to thank all the wonderful volunteers for all their hard work co-ordinating, sorting and dispatching recycling. £600 represents hundreds of hours of volunteer time! There are now public drop off locations in Horsham, Rudgwick, Slinfold, Thakeham, Storrington, Crawley and soon Henfield for single use plastics.



Joy Carter manages the recycling drop off location at the William Penn School.

This link <https://www.sussexgreenliving.co.uk/resources/> gives the latest list of material people can recycle. For posters showing detailed breakdowns of the materials please use this link: <https://www.sussexgreenliving.co.uk/recycling-zone/single-use/>

Pupil Achievements

Congratulation to Lucas G who has passed his Black Belt in Kung Fu. Well done

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

