



William Penn Newsletter November 13th 2020

William Penn School – What Do Our Pupils Think?

School Council Video

The School Council has been busy working on a project to make a video about why this school is special. They used their allocated School Council assembly time to talk to the rest of the school through Google Meet. They questioned their peers about why they like their school and what makes it a special place. After gathering all the answers, they decided to make a video and share it on the William Penn Website.

This film has been uploaded onto the front page of the William Penn Website, underneath the Virtual Tour. The School Council would love you to watch it at www.williampenn.co.uk.

All Weather Sports and Leisure Track

Further to our recent updates about raising money for our proposed all-weather track, we have been approached by the Jacobs family with some fundraising ideas, which are great. Please see the message below and if you are able to support, we would be most grateful. Thank you

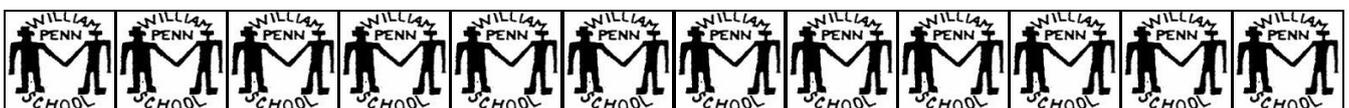


We're raising £5000 to Help Fund an Amazing All-Weather Running Track for William Penn School. Please donate to my JustGiving Crowdfunding Page and help make it happen:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/wpcanrun?utm_id=1&utm_term=zpY2X8mP2

Castle Day in Key Stage 1 and Early Years

At William Penn School in Coolham, all children in Key Stage 1 and Early Years enjoyed a topic inspired 'Castle Day' to celebrate finishing their learning about castles in most recent 'Houses and Homes' topic. Students and staff loved dressing up in costumes. They spent the day enjoying different themed activities. The children took part in a Medieval Games Tournament, they baked honey biscuits and decorated their own goblets for the banquet, as well as making their own coat of arms and crowns. It was a brilliant day enjoyed by both the staff and the students and we are already planning our next topic day!





Kindness Day

Thank you for all the donations for Children In Need received today and for helping your children to look so colourful today. Coincidentally, today is also World Kindness Day, which we discussed in this morning's assembly. Some information is included below for you.

Kindness Day was born when a collection of humanitarian groups came together on November 13, 1997, and made a "Declaration of Kindness". Likewise, on Kindness Day everyone is encouraged to make a similar declaration. Donating books, food, or clothes to your local community is a great way to celebrate. However, pledging to commit just one act of kindness is no less worthwhile.

The reason for World Kindness Day is detailed by the World Kindness Movement. "to highlight good deeds in the community focusing on the positive power and the common thread of kindness which binds us." This day has become globally recognized since its creation more than two decades ago. The many events that take place on this day attract countless participants from all parts of the globe. This day is filled with kindness and activities like dance mobs, concerts, the distribution of kindness cards, and random acts of kindness such as paying for someone shopping or helping someone with their bags.

Helps with Stress

Yes, that's right being kind to others means you are less likely to be stressed. People who are kind all the time produce 23% less cortisol, the stress hormone. This means that people who practice kindness, age much slower than the average population, because of lower stress levels, it really does pay to be kind.

So, where does the word kindness come from? Its root originates from the Old English word "kyndnes," which is a derivative from the Middle English word "kindenes," which means "courtesy."

Guitar Lessons – A Message from our Guitar Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers Autumn Term 2020

I hope this letter finds you well. I wanted to write and let you know that I'm currently offering weekly guitar lessons at your child's school. Despite the difficulties we've all encountered this year, now is the perfect time for your child to learn a new skill or hobby which could remain a lifelong source of enjoyment, and offer a break from stress and worry.

Music tuition is delivered in a fun and relaxed atmosphere, enabling all pupils to feel comfortable and enjoy their lesson time. Students can study a wide variety of different musical styles including classical, jazz, rock, pop, funk and folk - I also offer bass guitar and ukulele lessons for any students who fancy something a bit different!

If you think your child would be interested in starting guitar lessons, by all means book them in for a FREE taster session for a chance to discover how much fun music is, and whether they'd like to go ahead with lessons. All equipment will be provided, and if you and your child then decide to proceed with regular tuition, lesson prices are as follows:

- *Group Tuition - £8 per session*
- *20 Minute Individual Tuition - £13 per session*
- *30 Minute Individual Tuition - £20 per session*

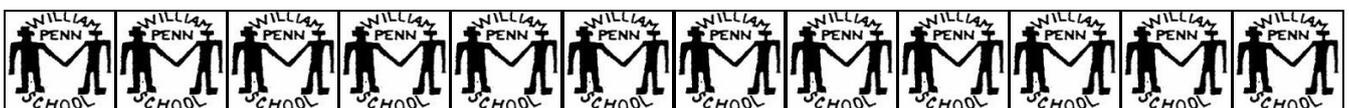
If you would like to take up the offer of a FREE taster session for your child, or have any further questions about music lessons, please feel free to contact me by email or phone (details at top of page).

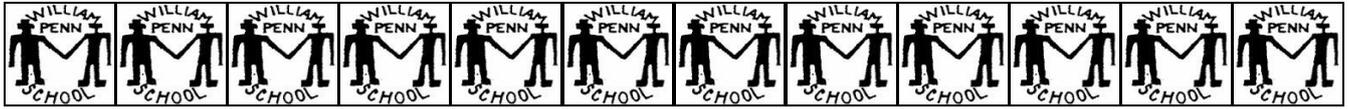
Regards

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The Super Yummy Kitchen are launching Series 3 this week! - A Message from Chartwells

WHAT'S ON?

- MONDAY - Brand new child-friendly cook-a-long videos and recipes every Monday, with the theme of SCHOOL MEALS! 😊
- TUESDAY - **Activity/Informative posts**
- WEDNESDAY - **Wellness Wednesday**
- THURSDAY - **Planet A/Sustainability**
- FRIDAY - **Food Fact Friday.**

Online Links:

- YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyu3g1IGSmMJAqGQGOJr7M>
- Twitter: @TheSYKitchen → <https://twitter.com/TheSYKitchen>
- Instagram: @thesuperyummykitchen → <https://www.instagram.com/thesuperyummykitchen/>
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Safeguarding Update - Considerate Driving and Community Hub Support for Families in Need

Turning Outside the School

We would like to thank all parents and carers that are turning away from the school gates – even if this means driving a little further down the road to do so. This helps to keep pupils and parents safer when they are entering or leaving school or socially distancing whilst waiting to do so.

However, increasingly, there are cars turning in the road itself near the school and this is causing concern. There have been examples of children on the pavement having to avoid overhanging bumpers etc which is certainly not safe. Please help us to keep all children and pedestrians safe.

Council Community Hub

All children and families who need support during lockdown and the upcoming winter can contact the Council's Community Hub, which is there to provide help during the COVID pandemic.

The Community Hub, which was set up in March 2020, gives practical support and information to anyone adversely affected by COVID-19, which could include the provision of food and essential household supplies. Contact is totally confidential and is available seven days a week, between 8am and 8pm when staff will be on hand to respond to enquiries.

You can find more information and request support online at www.westsussex.gov.uk/covid19communityhub or to speak to someone call: 033 022 27980.

Pupil Achievements

Congratulations to Cherry B who has been awarded her red and yellow belts and certificates, following successful gradings. Well done Cherry!

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

