

Welcome to the updated Newsletter!

Please look through the pages below to see important notices about school and how to access online resources to support your child at home, which include **Reading Eggs**, **Espresso** and **Doodle Maths**. Each week the class who have earned the most Doodle Maths stars are awarded a trophy in assembly—so far Monkey Puzzle class have been hard to beat. Please encourage your child to use these resources at home.

There is a **new email address** dedicated to messages from parents/carers with the school —**parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk**. Both Penny and Tina have access to this new address, which we hope will make all communication more efficient. Please use this for all future emails.

Thank you all for your support towards an excellent beginning to the year. It was lovely to see so many of you at the parent/carer meetings held by Years 1-6. Reception and Nursery parents and carers, please have a look at the events column for the dates for your meetings. Please do access the webpage for your child/ren's year group to see what they are learning this year and for information about how to help at home look at http://

www.williamtyndale-islington.co.uk/Howtohelpathome.

We have already achieved so much in just a month! Year 5 have participated in a drone workshop; Year 6 have been to The Little Angel Theatre and the Imperial War Museum; the whole school had a wonderful time on the school challenge day; Year 2 have been to the Ecology Centre at Gillespie Park; and Caroline Lawrence, the author of the Roman Mysteries series visited the school and spoke to KS2. Please read about some of these experiences below.

Congratulations to Year 5/6 Boys Football team for winning **silver medals** and to Year 3/4 Boys Football team for winning **bronze medals** in the Islington Schools Primary Cup.

Please do talk to your child about our skill and right of the month. Skill of the Month is *STAYING POSITIVE* and Right of the Month is: *Article 12, THE RIGHT TO BE LISTENED TO.*

School will be closed for 2 **INSET** days on **28th and 29th October** immediately following the half term week.

Have a wonderful weekend!

This term's newsletters will be published on 4th October, 1st November & 6th December

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4th October 2019

<u>EVENTS</u>

<u>October</u>

9th Nursery parent/carer meeting @ 3:40
15th Year 2 to Little Angel Theatre
17th Reception parent/carer meeting @ 3:45

21st- 25th HALF TERM Holiday Play Scheme will run for all Tyndale children this week

- 28th INSET Day no school for children
- 29th INSET Day no school for children
- 31st Year 4 trip to Hindu Temple

<u>November</u>

6th Individual photographs 7th Author visit for Years 3/4—Leigh Hobbs 11th Year 6 Remembrance assembly

- N.B. this will last approx. 40 minutes
- **20**th Parent Conferences 4-7pm
- 21st Parent Conferences 4- 6pm
- 25th Rowan Class trip to RIBA
- 28th Year 4 EE trip to UBS
- 29th Maple Class trip to RIBA

December

2nd Year 4 to Tate Britain **3rd** Year 6 trip to Jewish Museum 4th Quince Class trip to St Paul's 5th Chestnut Class trip to St Paul's 10th Year One Christmas show 10am **11th** Year Two Christmas show 10am 12th Reception Christmas show 10am 13th Nursery Christmas show 10am 17th Years 3 & 4 Christmas show Year 3 parents to watch 10am Year 4 parents to watch 2.30pm 18th Years 5 & 6 Christmas show -Year 5 parents to watch 10am Year 6 parents to watch 2.30pm 19th Carols in the playground @ 3:30 **20th** last day of term (1.45pm finish)

William, *Tundale*

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Year 6 trip to the Imperial War Museum

On Monday 23rd September, Year 6 took an amazing visit to the Imperial War Museum in Lambeth. Both Maple and Rowan Class took the underground from Highbury and Islington arriving at Lambeth North at 10:30. After admiring the planes and cars in the Witnesses to War exhibition, we went to the First World War galleries. Everyone loved all the artefacts and videos. The classes took a particular shine to the model of the trenches showing figurine soldiers and the vast stretch of No-Man's-Land. All of Year 6 had a brilliant time and it was a glorious trip. As well as having fun, Year 6 learnt lots about life during the war.

Minnie (Maple)



On Monday 23rd September, Year 6 went on a school trip to the Imperial War Museum. We took the underground train from Highbury & Islington at 9:30, arriving at Lambeth North station at 10:20. We then had a 10 minute walk to the museum, arriving there at 10:30. After a quick wander around the Witnesses to War section, we headed to the First World War galleries to study and learn more about the war. We were each given a booklet filled with questions about World War One and were then split into groups of 10 and were left with them to explore the exhibition. We had lots of fun and saw many interesting artefacts ranging from rifles and bayonets to a pig's head! We all learnt a great deal about the First World War.

Isabella (Maple)

On Monday 23rd September, we – Year 6 – went to the Imperial War Museum. We went on the

underground from Highbury and Islington to Lambeth North. When we arrived, we put our bags into a trolley and went to the Witnesses to War exhibition. After that, we went to the First World War galleries and saw military uniforms, weapons, tanks, planes and many more artefacts. There was even a pretend trench – not made of mud, of course – that you could walk in and there were holes in the walls because that is where the soldiers slept! There were also lots of photographs, letters and diary entries so it sometimes felt like you were actually there in the war! We also saw the gas masks used during gas attacks and there was an area where you could try on and see how heavy the soldiers' hats and jackets.

Molly (Maple)

On Monday 23rd September, Year 6 went on a trip to the Imperial War Museum to learn more about World War One. After a quick look around the Witnesses to War exhibition, we went to the First World War galleries. We saw weapons, maps, diaries and even got to try on the uniforms of soldiers! There were lots of artefacts that helped us understand a bit more about what life was like during the war.

Mariyah (Maple)

On Monday the 23rd September, Y6 went on a trip to the Imperial War Museum. We took the tube from Highbury & Islington all the way down to Lambeth North. After a quick wander around the Witnesses to War exhibition, we went to the First World War galleries. There were lots of photographs, letters and videos telling us more about the war. My favourite thing was learning about life in the trenches. I would recommend going to the Imperial War Museum!

Matteo (Maple)



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Islington Football Competition



Congratulations to our Year 5/6 Boys football team who took part in the Islington Primary Schools Cup at Market Road last week. **Marlo**, **Bilgehan, Connor, Lucas P, Lucas B, Cy, Milo and Oscar** competed and won in the first round on Wednesday 25th September and were then awarded silver medals in the finals on Friday 27th September. Year 3/4 Boys football team, **Alex, Sevi, Oliver, Gianluca, Pip, Thomas and Vlad**, also went through to the final and were awarded with **bronze medals** on Friday 4th October.

Well done boys!



Author visit from Caroline Lawrence

On Tuesday 1st October, as part of the English and Latin curriculum, KS2 had a visit from Caroline Lawrence, the author of the Roman Mysteries series. Years 3 and 4 had an exciting talk about Pompeii and Rome and Years 5 and 6 learnt 'How to write a great story', which included fun tips about writing a plot and character development.



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Game On

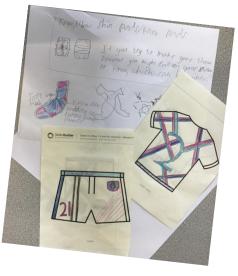
September kicked off the year with Teamwork as our first Skill of the

Month, one of the essential skills that all the children focused on during this year's Whole School Challenge Day. The challenge: to design a brand new sport.

Children in Years 1 - 6 used their knowledge of current sports, considering the different elements that make up a game, for example, equipment, playing fields and players. Building on from this, the children used ideas from their own hobbies, interests and their imagination to create new sports such as, 'BasketBol', which



tBol', which combined aspects of basketball and bowling!



Throughout the day, the children also considered how sports can not only challenge a player's physical ability but also put their *essential skills* to the test, such as *Aiming High* and *Staying Positive*. At the end of the day each team used their *Presenting* skills to share their new sport with the rest of their class.

The next step is for our Playground Leaders to adapt some of the games so that they can be played during play times and lunchtimes. Well done to all the children for working so well together and designing innovative sports.

Our essential skills are:



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Collecting your child

Please remember to let us know if someone other than yourself or the usual person is collecting your child. You must let the class teacher know by writing them a note. We will not let any child leave the school premises with any other adult, even if we or they know them, unless we have had notice from you. Should your arrangements change after the start of the school day, please phone the school office. After 3.15, please call Kids' Club, where the same procedures apply, on 020 7359 0588 to let Nancy, or another member of staff, know about your arrangements.

Many thanks for your understanding.

Secondary Transfer 2019

If your child is in Year 6, now is the time to think about applying for Secondary schools. The Secondary Transfer brochure is available on the Islington website – go to www.islington.gov.uk/admissions

The closing date for applications is **31st October 2019**. Islington Council recommend that you apply by **18th October** in case there are any problems. Please see Penny in the office if you have any questions.

Jewellery, Nail Varnish and Hair Dye!

We know how tempting it is for children to experiment with adornments but ask you please not to let your child do this in school.

It can cause upset and jealousy as well as, in the case of jewellery, present serious health and safety problems.

Children are welcome to wear watches and stud earrings – no hooped earrings of any kind are allowed.

BOOKS AMNESTY

Every year we lose up to 300 PACT books: £800!!

It would lovely if you could kindly return any books you come across at home to help us replenish our stores. If you find any, please return them to the school office.

Thank you so much.

Breakfast Club & Kids' Club

<u>Charges</u>

Breakfast Club 8am - 8.50am

£5

Kids' Club 3.30pm - 6pm

£11

(Nursery children 3pm - 6pm £15.75)

GDPR

Please be aware that any consent that has been given in the past will continue to be valid (i.e. photos). You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

Please view the school's privacy notice on the school website <u>http://www.williamtyndale-</u>

CHILDREN GOING HOME ALONE

It is very important for us to know if your child walks home by themselves at the end of their day at school i.e. from 3.30, after a club or after Kids' Club.

Please let us know in writing if this is so, detailing the days and times that your child will leave the premises, and hand this letter into the school office.

We cannot prevent children from going home by themselves but we do discourage this from happening until your child is at least in years 5 and 6.

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AUTUMN TERM 2019

INSET DAYS

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Monday 2nd September 2019

Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd September

Wednesday 4th September

Monday 21^{*st*} – *Friday* 25^{*th*} October

Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th October

HALF TERM

INSET DAYS

LAST DAY OF TERM

Friday 20th December 2019

Monday 6th January 2020

SPRING TERM 2020

FIRST DAY OF TERM

HALF TERM

Monday 17th– Friday 21st February

LAST DAY OF TERM

Friday 3rd April 2020

Monday 20th April 2020

Monday 4th May

SUMMER TERM 2020

FIRST DAY OF TERM

May Bank Holiday

HALF TERM

Monday 25thMay – Friday 29th May

Spring Bank Holiday

Monday 25th May

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 17th July 2020

INSET DAY

Monday 20th July

LAST DAY OF TERM

Monday 20th July 2020

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Dates for the Academic Year 2020 - 2021

AUTUMN TERM 2020

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Tuesday 1 st September 2020
INSET DAY	Tuesday 1 st September
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020
INSET DAY	Friday 23 rd October
HALF TERM	Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th October
LAST DAY OF TERM	Friday 18 th December 2020

SPRING TERM 2021

FIRST DAY OF TERM

Monday 4th January 2021

Monday 15th– Friday 19th February

Thursday 1st April 2021

HALF TERM

LAST DAY OF TERM

Good Friday 2nd April Easter Monday 5th April

SUMMER TERM 2021

FIRST DAY OF TERM

INSET DAYS

Thursday 15th April 2021

Thursday 15th & Friday 16th April

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

May Bank Holiday

HALF TERM

Spring Bank Holiday

Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Monday 19th April 2021

Monday 31st May

Monday 3rd May

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN

INSET DAY

LAST DAY OF TERM

Friday 16th July 2021

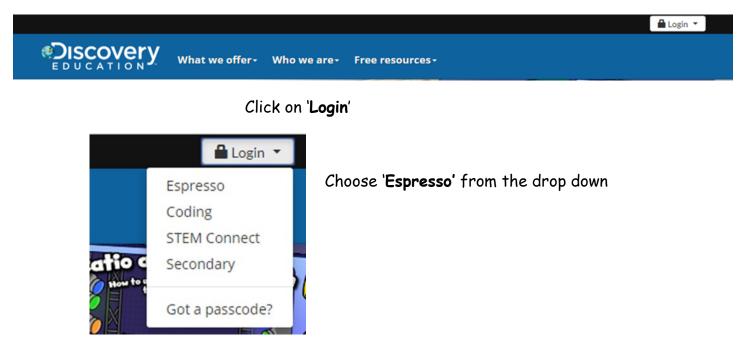
Monday 19th July

Monday 19th July 2021

ESPRESSO HOME ACCESS

Espresso Home Access is filled with wonderful resources across all subject areas for children to access from home. Please follow the instructions on how to get into all the great material.

Open a webpage and type in https://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/



Type in the username and password that your class teacher has given you. If you have forgotten it, please ask.



Click on espresso and you are able to access all of the resources. There are fantastic activities, videos and printable resources for all year groups. You can use espresso on both PCs and iPads. Some activities require Adobe flash.

Reading and Maths resources

All children from Year 1 upwards have an individual Reading Eggs password. Please ask you class teacher if you need your password.

Please login at www.readingeggs.co.uk.





Doodle Maths is an app that allows children to practise their mathematical skills independently, both in school and at home. **Doodle Maths** works by assessing areas of maths that children complete easily or find challenging; it then re-assigns questions to teach children new mathematical learning in small steps.

Your child has been given a **username** and **password**, and has been shown how to log in and use **Doodle Maths**.

It is very important that children complete the activities on **Doodle Maths** independently so that the app can assess which areas they need further practice in. Please do not help your children by giving them the answers, but direct them to the hints and explanations that can be found in the help section at the top of each question.

To link with your child's account, follow these simple steps:

- Download the Doodle Maths app;
- Ask your child to sign in, using the details they have been given;
- Tap on the Grown Ups section and follow the instructions there to link yourself to your child;
- Login to <u>www.parents.doodlemaths.com</u> with your Grown Ups username and password and click on Monitor - Live so you can see how your child is doing as they complete their exercise; and
- Download the Parent Connect app where you can see a snapshot of what your children are doing.

Encourage your child/ren to earn at least 50 Doodle Stars a week and get instant updates through your app.

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