

1st November 2019

I hope you have all enjoyed your half term. We were overwhelmed by the sheer number of amazing postcards from across the UK and around the world. Thank you for sending them in! A big thank you to all the staff who contributed to such a successful holiday play scheme.

Thank you so much to all of you who have started to use the new **email address** dedicated to messages from parents / carers with the school — **parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk**. It is really helping to smooth out communication.

Congratulations to the football teams, who showed excellent teamwork in various matches in Market Road. See below for more information.

Have a look below at photos from the Portals to the Past workshop that Year 6 enjoyed. They learned a huge amount about World Wars I and II and really got into the swing of it with their 1940s costumes.

We celebrated a very successful Dyslexia Awareness Week which encouraged children to think about what dyslexia is; see below for photos.

We would like you all to know that our School Business Manager, **Eileen**, is retiring after 30 years of service at William Tyndale. She has overseen numerous improvements to our school over the years; we thank her for all her hard work and wish her all the best in her retirement.

We are looking forward to Wonderful World Week next week. Please ensure that your child has been practising their flags for the Flag Bees, during the assemblies on Wednesday 6th **KS2** and Thursday 7th November for **KS1**. It is Outdoor Classroom Day on **Thursday 7th November**, so please make sure your child is appropriately dressed for learning outside.

Please do talk to your child about our skill and right of the month. Skill of the Month is **LISTENING** and Right of the Month is: *Article 12, THE RIGHT TO BE LOOKED AFTER AND KEPT SAFE*.

We are very keen to recruit more Reading Volunteers; please see **Penny** in the school office for more information. Many thanks in advance!

Don't forget to sign up for your parent conference—the system opens on **Friday 8th at 4pm**. There will be a letter coming home next week with more information.

Please be aware that the **Bank Holiday** in May has been changed by the government to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE day and is now **Friday 8th May 2020**.

Have a wonderful weekend!

The next newsletter will be published on **6th December**.

EVENTS

November

4th - 8th Wonderful World Week

6th Individual photographs

7th Author visit for Years 2/3—Leigh Hobbs

8th Year 3 t to New River Walk

11th Year 6 Remembrance assembly

N.B. this will last approx. 40 minutes

19th-21st Parent Governor elections

20th Parent Conferences 4-7pm

21st Juniper Class to Sir Robert McAlpine

21st Parent Conferences 4- 6pm

25th Rowan Class to RIBA

28th Year 4 EE to UBS

28th Juniper Class to Sir Robert McAlpine

29th Maple Class to RIBA

December

2nd Year 4 to Tate Britain

3rd Year 6 to Jewish Museum

4th Quince Class to St Paul's

5th Chestnut Class to St Paul's

10th Year One Christmas show 10am

11th Year Two Christmas show 10am

12th Reception Christmas show 10am

12th Juniper Class to Sir Robert McAlpine

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)

Football Competitions

We have had a number of football tournaments at Market Road this month, all very successful. Year 2 Boys were runners up and Year 2 Girls came joint first in their respective tournaments. The Year 5/6 girls also did brilliantly and only lost one match.



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Year 6 learned about World Wars I and II from Portals to the Past.

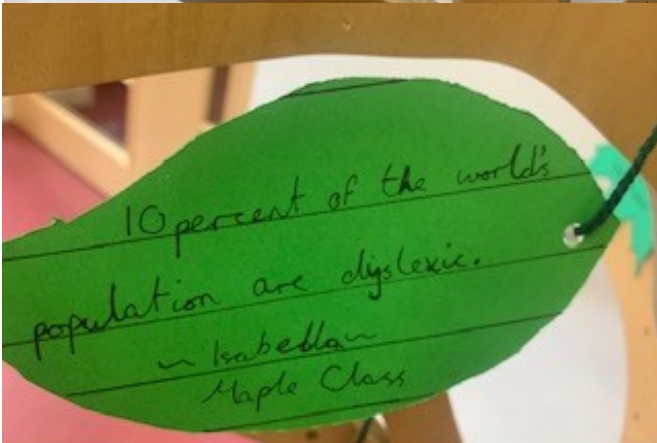
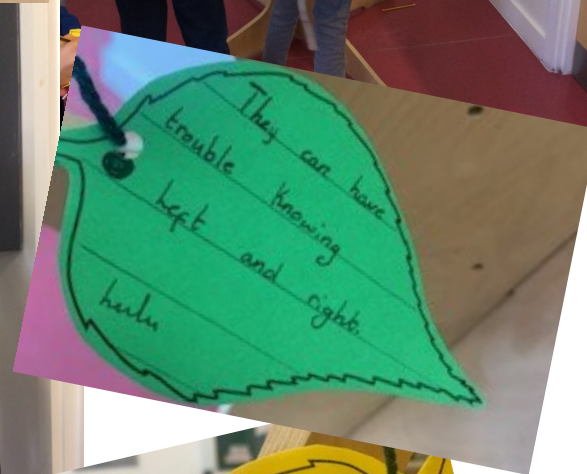
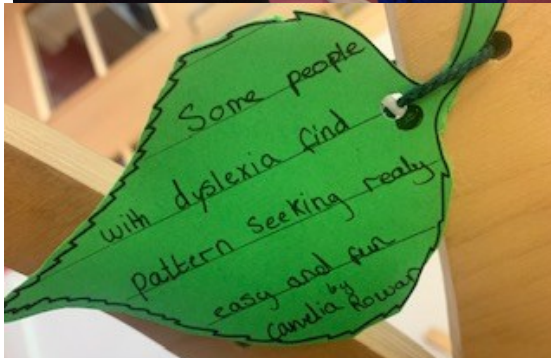


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Dyslexia Awareness

October was **Dyslexia Awareness Month**. At William Tyndale, we raised awareness through assemblies as well as work in class. Children and parents alike joined together in writing **facts** and asking **questions** about dyslexia on leaves and hanging them on the tree in the foyer.

We are working towards becoming one of the British Dyslexia Association's 'Dyslexia Friendly Schools' and have really enjoyed learning more about dyslexia as a whole school community.



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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.

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.

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.

Breakfast Club & Kids' Club

Charges

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 <http://www.williamtyndale-islington.co.uk/Policies-and-Procedures>

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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Dates for the Academic Year 2019-20

AUTUMN TERM 2019

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Monday 2 nd September 2019
<i>INSET DAYS</i>	<i>Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd September</i>
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	Wednesday 4th September
<i>HALF TERM</i>	<i>Monday 21st – Friday 25th October</i>
<i>INSET DAYS</i>	<i>Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th October</i>
LAST DAY OF TERM	Friday 20th December 2019

SPRING TERM 2020

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Monday 6th January 2020
<i>HALF TERM</i>	<i>Monday 17th – Friday 21st February</i>
LAST DAY OF TERM	Friday 3rd April 2020

SUMMER TERM 2020

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Monday 20th April 2020
<i>May Bank Holiday</i>	<i>Friday 8th May (changed date)</i>
<i>HALF TERM</i>	<i>Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May</i>
<i>Spring Bank Holiday</i>	<i>Monday 25th May</i>
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 17th July 2020
<i>INSET DAY</i>	<i>Monday 20th July</i>
LAST DAY OF TERM	Monday 20th July 2020

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 4 th January 2021
HALF TERM	Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th February
LAST DAY OF TERM	Thursday 1 st April 2021
Good Friday 2 nd April	
Easter Monday 5 th April	

SUMMER TERM 2021

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Thursday 15 th April 2021
INSET DAYS	Thursday 15 th & Friday 16 th April
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	Monday 19 th April 2021
May Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May
HALF TERM	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June
Bank Holiday	Monday 31 st May
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 16 th July 2021
INSET DAY	Monday 19 th July
LAST DAY OF TERM	Monday 19 th July 2021

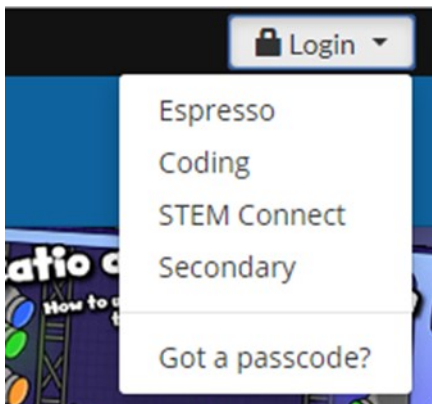
ESPRESSO HOME ACCESS

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/>



Click on 'Login'



Choose 'Espresso' from the drop down

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

The image shows the login form on the website. It includes a link 'Forgot username or password?' on the left. Next to it are two input fields: 'Espresso username' and 'password'. To the right of these fields is a blue 'LOGIN' button. Further right is another dropdown menu labeled 'Espresso' with a lock icon and a downward arrow.

My services



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 your 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.

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 www.parents.doodlemaths.com 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.

Your child has been given a **username** and **password**, and has been shown how to log in and use **Doodle Maths**. Please ask your class teacher if you need a reminder.