# Reaching out







#### An exceptional education for all

3rd September 2021

It has been so lovely to welcome you all back and have such a fantastic start to the new year. We hope you had a lovely summer break! Thank you all for the prompt drop-off and collection which is making the start and end of the day run so smoothly.

I would particularly like to welcome the children and families new to William Tyndale this year as well as three new teachers – **Katya** in **Daffodil Class** (Reception), **Michelle** in **Fuchsia Class** (Year 1) and **Marianne** in **Orchid Class** (Year 4).

From next week, parents from each year group will be invited to a **Virtual Parent Information meeting via Google Classroom**. These are all scheduled to **start at 4pm**, please see the relevant dates in the Events bar (*right*). Please make sure to attend; the meeting will provide you with vital information about what your child will be learning, the expectations of the year group and the various resources available so you can support your child's learning and well-being. You will receive an email with the link

Please be aware that **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** will be an **extra day of the half term break**; see below for more information.

We are pleased to be able to ask reading volunteers back into the building. If you can offer an hour or more of your time and would be interested in reading with children (not in your child's class), please email parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk . The school will provide training and will organise your DBS.

Please could **all parents and carers** fill in our **school meals form**, regardless of income and whether or not your child eats a school meal or a packed lunch? Kindly return it to **Tina**, in the school office. The form is attached to this newsletter and a Word version is on the school website that can be annotated and emailed to parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk.

September's Skill of the Month is **LISTENING** and our Right of the Month is ARTICLE 28: **ACCESS TO EDUCATION**. Please read below for more information.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Bea Mayer Assistant Head Teacher

#### **EVENTS**

#### **September**

# Virtual Parent Information Meetings @4pm

6<sup>th</sup> Year 6 7<sup>th</sup> Year 5 9<sup>th</sup> Year 4 10<sup>th</sup> Year 3 13<sup>th</sup> Year 2 14<sup>th</sup> Year 1

23<sup>rd</sup> Skills Builder Challenge Day

#### **October**

11<sup>th</sup> Flu immunisations Rec-Y6
22<sup>nd</sup> Extra half term day

22<sup>nd</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> HALF TERM Our Holiday Play Scheme will run for all Tyndale children this week

#### **November**

Week of 1<sup>st</sup> Parent Conferences Week of 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Swimming 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Assembly 18<sup>th</sup> KS1 Number Facts Bee 25<sup>th</sup> KS2 Multiplication Bee

#### **December**

17<sup>th</sup> Last day of term (1:45pm finish)

The next newsletter will be published on 1st October.

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#### Why do we have an extra day of the Half Term on Friday 22nd October?

The Government has announced an extra Bank Holiday on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022, in recognition of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The day falls in many schools' summer half term break, including ours. In these cases the Government has reduced the number of school days to 189, allowing an extra day of holiday during the academic year. At William Tyndale, we are going to add a day onto the Autumn Half Term; the result of this will be that school will **finish at 3.30pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October**, with the half term beginning on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The **return to school** will be as normal on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**.

#### **Collection Arrangements**

Thank you so much to all of you who have completed the Collection Arrangements form, if you have not yet done so, please complete it here.

If anything changes from this information, please call the school office or email parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch by 3 pm, as we cannot let any child go home with someone else, even if we know who they are, unless you have given your permission for this to happen. Any child not collected by 3:30pm will be taken to Kid's Club. Kid's Club charges will apply.

You will find more information about this and other aspects of school life in the <u>Parent and Carer Handbook</u> on the School Website.

#### **PUNCTUALITY and ATTENDANCE**

#### **Punctuality**

Children are happier when they arrive punctually at school and their learning gets off to a fine start. We have many incentives to encourage children to arrive punctually, including class cups, certificates and medals. Please remember:

- •The school gates open at 8.45am and children are able to go straight to their classes.
- •School starts at 8.55am but we give you a 5-minute grace period to account for unforeseen circumstances; therefore, any child arriving after 9am will be marked late.

#### **Attendance (subject to COVID restrictions)**

It is really important to a child's feeling of security that they are brought in regularly and that parents arrive and depart promptly once they are settled. Children who arrive late can become distressed and find it hard to settle to their activities. Again, at home time, please collect your child promptly as they can become very anxious if you are late.

Please find further information in the Parent and Carer Handbook on the school website.

The school and Educational Welfare monitor attendance on a regular basis. We expect children to have at least 95% attendance. If your child's absence falls below 95% then Educational Welfare will be in contact. A child is considered a persistent absentee once their attendance falls to 90%.

Please let us know of any changes in your child's home life, routines or health that may affect their attendance or punctuality at school, so we can support you accordingly. If you would like any more details about punctuality and attendance, please see Penny in the school office.

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	Current Class Name	New Teacher(s)	New Teaching As- sistant(s)	New Class Name
N	New	Tanya T & Nuala	Billie, Aysun and Rukshana	Bluebell
Rec	Nursery & new children	Fiona & Nuala	Lydia. Jo and Ange- lika	Sunflower
Rec	Nursery & new children	Katya	Steph and Stela	Daffodil
Y1	Polar Bear	Michelle	Nancy, Amal and Eve	Fuchsia
Y1	Snowy Owl	Orla	Prabhuta	Aster
Y2	Beluga	Daisy	Elvira and Andrea	Honesty
Y2	Puffin	Natalie	Tracie	Peony
Y3	Narwhal	Louise	Robyn and Hayleigh	Buttercup
Y3	Dovekie	Kati	Martina, Lisa, Julie and Emma-Jane	Lavender
Y4	Sea Otter	Marianne	Vanessa, Kerry,	Orchid
Y4	Harp Seal	Jeremiah	Anne and Emma Jane	Leilani
Y5A	Ermine	Lily	lda, Elise, Joanna and Jaykey	Udumbara
Y5B	Arctic Fox	Niamh	and daykey	Shamrock
Y6A	Wolverine	Jessie	Dobbio Joonno and	Aconite
Y6B	Husky	Toni	Debbie, Joanna and Jenny	Nightshade

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#### **INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS**

Instrumental lessons will start in the week beginning **13**<sup>th</sup> **September** for all children. Lessons are timetabled between 12.30 and 4pm.

Clarinet	Dom	Tuesday
Violin	Matt	Tuesday
Guitar	Zack	Thursday
Brass	Vahan	Friday
Flute	Abigail	Friday
Cello	Naomi	Friday

Orchestra is run as a separate club (for which there will be a small charge) from 12.30 – 1 on Fridays. Both Vahan and Abigail are in charge of this. Orchestra is open to all of KS2, whether or not they learn in school, who have had at least one year's tuition and are of a reasonable standard.

All the children in Year 3 receive lessons on the recorder, which will start on 13<sup>th</sup> September.

If you have any questions please email parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk . Please note that Music fees are payable in advance for the year, online, through *School Money*.

#### **GDPR**

We updated our Data Protection Policy and the Privacy Notice for parents and pupils in May 2021.

The updated documents are available to view on the school website:

https://www.williamtyndale-islington.co.uk/about-us/policies-and-procedures

Please be aware that any consent regarding your child's data which was given in the past will continue to be valid (e.g. consent for taking and distributing photos). You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

#### Breakfast Club & Kids' Club

0207 354 6106/ 07398 006 395

**Charges** 

Breakfast Club 8am - 8.50am £6

Kids' Club 3.30pm - 6pm £12

(Nursery children 3pm – 6pm £16)

Any collection after 6pm will result in an on the spot fine of £30 + £1 per minute

#### 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.

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# September Right of the Month The Right to Learn Article 28





Throughout September, children will have assemblies to discuss the Right to Learn and each class will be creating a Class Charter to support a positive learning environment for all children. This is an opportunity for all children to learn more about all the Rights of the Child and helps to establish shared values and relationships for creating a Rights Respecting ethos in the classroom.

Here are some examples of previous year's charters:







#### Secondary Transfer 2022

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 <a href="https://www.islington.gov.uk/admissions">www.islington.gov.uk/admissions</a>

The closing date for applications is **31**<sup>st</sup> **October 2021**. Islington Council recommend that you apply by **18**<sup>th</sup> **October** in case there are any problems.

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#### Dates for the Academic Year 2021 - 2022

**AUTUMN TERM 2021** 

FIRST DAY OF TERM Tuesday 31st August 2021

INSET DAY Tuesday 31st August

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL Wednesday 1st September 2021

In lieu of Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

HALF TERM Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

INSET DAY Monday 20th December

**SPRING TERM 2022** 

FIRST DAY OF TERM Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022

HALF TERM Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 1st April 2022

INSET DAYS Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th April

**SUMMER TERM 2022** 

FIRST DAY OF TERM Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

May Bank Holiday Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

HALF TERM Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Spring Bank Holidays Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 15th July 2022

INSET DAY Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July

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Parent/Guardian Surname:



#### Universal Free Meals Registration Form

Please could all parents and carers complete this form. Completion of this form also enables us to check for Free School Meal Eligibility and whether the school can claim additional money (Pupil Premium) from the Government.

Pupil Premium is the additional funding given to schools for pupils who have been registered as being entitled to Free School Meals (FSM) at any point in the last 6 years. Schools receive this funding to support their eligible pupils and narrow the attainment gap between them and their peers. Further information about how the school spends these monies can be found on the school website.

## We urge you to complete this form even if your child does not have school meals.

To register please complete the boxes below using black ink and BLOCK CAPITALS and return it to your school

Parent/Guardian Date of Birth:					
National Insurance Number: OR					
National Asylum Seeker Support Reference Number (NASS):					
Child(ren)'s Name(s)					
For eligibility criteria please see overleaf					
DECLARATION: I confirm that the details supplied are correct and accurate. I understand that my personal information is held securely and agree that the school can only use the information provided to process my claim for Pupil Premium by contacting Strictly Education 4s, who will check entitlement via a secure government website.					
I understand that I am responsible for informing the school immediately if I stop receiving one of the qualifying benefits.					
By signing this form I am confirming that I have read and fully understood the above declaration.					
Signed Parent/Guardian 1 Signed Parent/Guardian 2					
Date	Date				
N.B. This form must be signed by the person who is in receipt of the qualifying benefit					

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA – DOES EITHER PARENT RECEIVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING?				
IF YES PLEASE TICK RELEVANT BOX BELOW	<b>V</b>			
Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400				
Income support				
Income based Jobseeker's Allowance (IBJSA)				
Income related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)				
Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999				
The guarantee element of Pension Credit				
Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC				
N.B. If you receive WORKING TAX CREDIT you do NOT qualify even if you receive child tax credit and your income is below £16,190				
Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)				
Is your child a looked-after child (LAC)? I.e. in the care of, or provided with accommodation by an English local authority?				
<ul> <li>Has your child ceased to be looked after by the local authority because of <u>adoption</u> a special guardianship order, a <u>child arrangements</u> order or a residence order?</li> </ul>				
Are either or both <u>parents</u> regular members of HM Forces and designated as personal category 1 or 2 ( <u>PStat</u> Cat 1 or 2), in the armed forces of another nation and stationed in England or in receipt of a child pension from the Ministry of Defend	:e?			

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#### **Support Numbers**

Emergency Services
999
Islington Children's Social Care
020 7527 7400
Domestic Violence National Helpline
0808 200 247
NSPCC
0800 800 500
Childline
0800 1111

#### **Islington Library Service**

**Islington Library** has **free e-books** and **audio books** which you can borrow for your child. If you haven't already got one, you will need to sign up for account to access these by going to the website below:

https://www.islington.gov.uk/libraries-arts-and-heritage/libraries/online-resources-journals-and-magazines/ebooks-and-eaudio

#### **Virtual School Library**

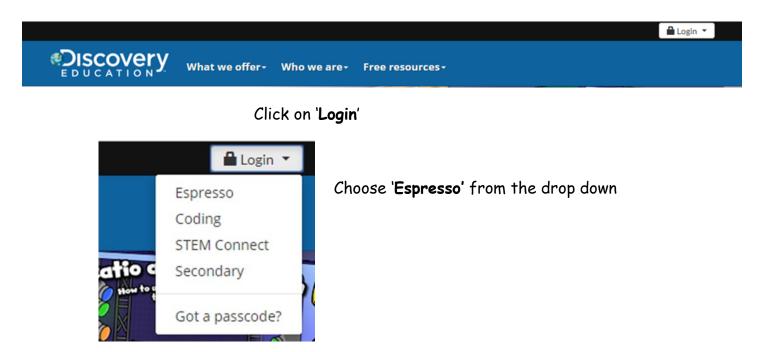
Oak National Academy have created a Virtual School Library in which every week a popular children's author or illustrator will provide an e-book (sometimes with an audio version) for children to access. They also have exclusive videos with the authors / illustrators sharing their top three recommended reads. You can access this here:

https://library.thenational.academy

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#### **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 <a href="https://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/">https://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/</a>



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.

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### 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.

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 <a href="https://www.parents.doodlemaths.com">www.parents.doodlemaths.com</a> 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 child is 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.

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