Reaching out





An exceptional education for all

5th February 2021

We continue to be extremely impressed with the enthusiasm and commitment children are showing for their online learning. A big well done to them and thank you for all the support you are providing to enable your children to engage with this so successfully. If you have any concerns, please remember to contact the school office by phone or email at: parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk

As you will have noticed, we have been creating ways to bring all the children together for some of their learning as we normally would in school. These include our thought for the week and whole school assemblies, our library readings and other events, such as this week's **Children's Mental Health Week**. We are really pleased to see how much everyone has taken from this week and would like to thank **Niamh** for organising such an important event.

Thank you to **Emma** for leading our participation in **RSPB's Big Schools/Garden Birdwatch** last week. This provided opportunities for children to have a break from their screens, explore nature and practise their working scientifically skills. As part of our assembly programme, we have been joining weekly **Arsenal Virtual Assemblies**, each of which is focusing on different themes to support and inspire the children - thank you to **Jessie** for organising this. Read more about both of these below, with examples of the fantastic work produced as a result.

Our Skill of the Month for February is **Staying Positive** and our Right of the Month is **ARTICLE 31: REST, PLAY, CULTURE, ARTS.** Please read more from Daisy below about this right, including stories you can share to explore this.

Please read to the end of newsletter which has useful online resources to keep children engaged with reading.

EVENTS

February

1st - 5th Children's Mental Health Week

4th Y6 Walrus Class virtual Skills Builder trip to Allen & Overy Law Firm

9th Safer Internet Day

11th Y3 streamed production and virtual workshop of *I am / We Are* from The Little Angel Theatre

15th - 19th HALF TERM

22nd - 7th March Fairtrade Fortnight

March

1st - 5th Careers Week

4th World Book Day

8th - 12th Science Week

17th Y6 Lemming Class virtual Skills Builder trip to Allen & Overy Law Firm

15th - 19th Shakespeare Week

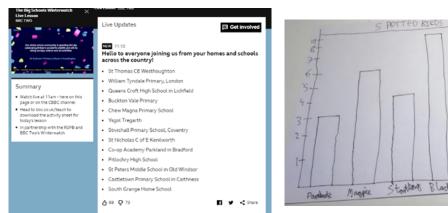
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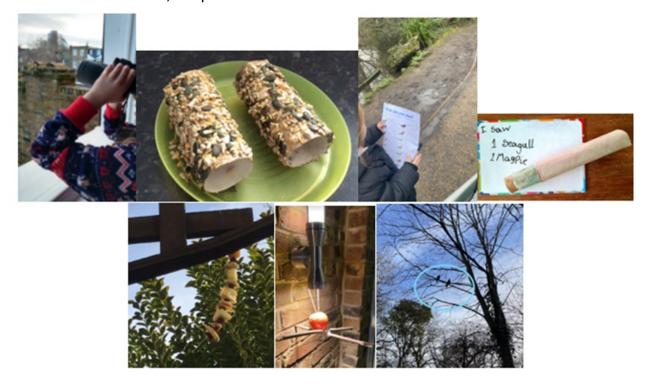


RSPB Big Schools/Garden Birdwatch

This year, children across the school took part in the RSPB's Big Schools/Garden Birdwatch. The day started with KS2 children participating in the BBC's Big School's Winterwatch Live Lesson. We were delighted that our school got a mention in the event's Live Feed alongside schools from all across the country! The lesson gave the children an opportunity to think about how birdwatching can help contribute to the preservation of bird species in the UK, in addition to practising some of their working scientifically skills, including using classification keys and presenting data using bar graphs.



In the afternoon, children were encouraged to take some time away from their Google classroom screens and experience the magic of nature. Many got out their identification sheets, pencils and some even had binoculars, to spot the birds in their local area!



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The day inspired children across the whole school to be creative. In school, Nursery children learnt about different types of birds through story-telling, colouring, craft and fine motor. Whilst children in Reception to Year 6 sent some fantastic pictures, paintings and drawings of birds that the children were learning about.

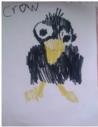
NURSERY





EYFS and KS1









KS2



Although we may not all be physically in school, it was lovely to see the learning of children across the whole school come together. Well done to all the children for taking part!

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Arsenal in the Community Virtual Assemblies

William Tyndale School have been joining the Arsenal in the Community Weekly Virtual Assemblies.

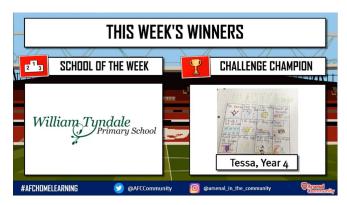
So far, the themes of the week have been: Be Healthy, Be Ambitious and Be Mindful. The children have been set challenge and played games with famous Arsenal Players such as Leah Wiliamson, Bukaya Saka, Rachel Yankey and Emile Smith Rowe.

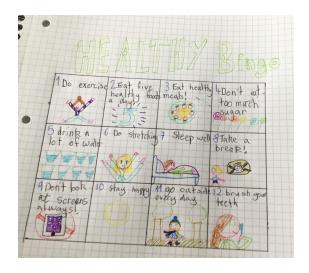
Congratulations to everyone at William Tyndale School for being the School Champions for Be Healthy week and to Tessa in Year 4 for being named Challenge Champion!

Below is some of the great work the children have been doing.

Be Active & Healthy









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Be Ambitious







My New Skill

To be more healthy, I decided to learn how to make a fruit/vegetable smoothie.

Fruits are full of Vitamin C, which protect the cells in our bodies and help us to grow big and strong.

This new skill of making smoothies, will help me to get my '5-a-day' of fruit and vegetables.



Be Mindful













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On Tuesday 9th February it is Safer Internet Day 2021! The theme this year is 'An Internet we Trust'.

This is a great opportunity to take some time to sit down and talk to your child about how, as a family, you use technology and the internet safely.

Use these questions and conversation starters to help you!

Talk about trust online:

- ? Can we trust everything we see online?
- Where do you go online to find trustworthy information?
- How do you know if you can trust something you are looking at online or not?
- What questions should we ask about things online before we trust them?
- What can you do if you see something online that you are not sure if you can trust or not?
- How much can you trust people you only know online? What is different about talking online to someone compared to talking face to face?

You can also watch some great videos from UK Safer Internet Centre with children giving you tips about how to start the conversation of trusting information online:

https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2021/i-am-educator/safer-internet-day-films/films-parents-and

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February Right of the Month





Article 31 - Rest, play, culture, arts

Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

What are we doing at school this month to help us to learn about this right?























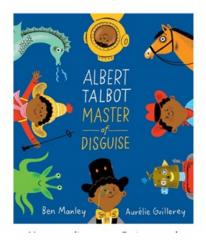


Click on the links and listen to these stories to help you find out more about the right Article 31 - Rest, play, culture, arts

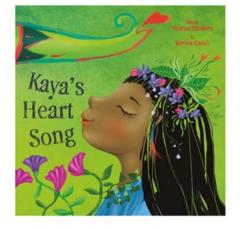
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You can listen to Daisy read 'Albert Talbot Master of Disguise' here: LISTEN



You can listen to the author read 'Kaya's Heart Song' here: LISTEN

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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-artsand-heritage/libraries/online-resourcesjournals-and-magazines/ebooks-andeaudio

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

The Week Junior

Children in KS2 can now access The Week Junior online using our school voucher code TWJ3125MNO. The Week Junior provides information to 8-14 year olds about what's happening around the world - helping to grow their understanding and build their confidence. Children would usually read copies of this within school but can now access it online during this time of remote learning. This resource can either be accessed via:

- 1) The website: <u>magazine.theweekjunior.co.uk</u>. Log in by selecting the head icon, then 'Have you got a voucher code?' and entering our code.
- 2) The app: "The Week Junior". Log in by selecting the 3 dots in the top right corner, select 'Account', select 'Voucher codes' and enter our voucher code.

<u>GDPR</u>

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/

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

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Dates for the Academic Year 2020 - 2021

AUTUMN TERM 2020

FIRST DAY OF TERM Tuesday 1st September 2020

INSET DAYS

Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd September

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL Thursday 3rd September 2020

INSET DAY Friday 23rd October

HALF TERM Monday 26th – Friday 30th October

LAST DAY OF TERM Friday 18th December 2020

SPRING TERM 2021

FIRST DAY OF TERM Monday 4th January 2021

HALF TERM Monday 15th – Friday 19th February

LAST DAY OF TERM Thursday 1st April 2021

Good Friday 2nd April Easter Monday 5th April

SUMMER TERM 2021

FIRST DAY OF TERM Thursday 15th April 2021

INSET DAYS Thursday 15th & Friday 16th April

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL Monday 19th April 2021

May Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May

HALF TERM Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Spring Bank Holiday Monday 31st May

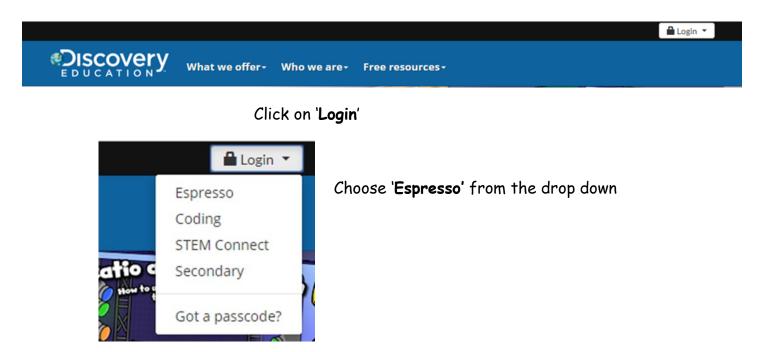
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 16th July 2021

INSET DAY Monday 19th July

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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 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.

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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 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 child is 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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