Reaching out



An exceptional education for all

1st April 2022

This has been another busy term and well done to all the children for the sheer amount of learning that they have managed to fit in. I hope that you are all able to have a restful holiday and come back for a, hopefully, warmer summer term.

Thank you to all parents and carers who completed the Google Form about Doodle Maths usage (*see results below*). For those of you who are interested, please take part in the DoodleMaths Spring challenge from today, 1st April—30th April (click here for flyer).

There have been lots of PE competitions this term, please read about our PE successes *below*.

Year 3 and 6 experienced fascinating science workshops learning about sustainable energy and our role in looking after water (see below).

Some children in Year 5 have been working with artists from Little Angel Theatre to create puppets (*below*).

We were so pleased to be able to invite parents and children to see the instrumental concerts this term (*below*), we hope that we will be able to do much more of this.

In April, we are learning about the **Global Goals** and our Right of the Month is **ARTICLE 24 – THE RIGHT TO FOOD**, **WATER AND MEDICAL CARE**. Please read below for more information.

Have a wonderful Easter break!

Bea Mayer — Assistant Head Teacher

THE GLOBAL GOALS For Sustainable Development



EVENTS

April

1st Last Day of Term for children

4th—8th Easter Holiday Play Scheme

19th Start of Summer Term

<u>May</u>

Week of 9th KS2 SATs

25th Class photographs

June

Week of 6th Year 4 multiplication check begins

Week of 13th Year 6 to PGL

18th Summer Fair

21st EYFS and KS1 Sports Day

22nd KS2 Sports Day

29th Nursery and Reception Play and Information Day

July

3rd Run Kids Run event, Highbury Fields

15th Last Day of Summer Term

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

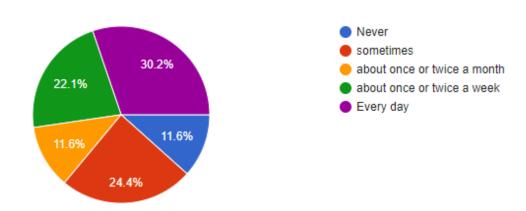
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DoodleMaths Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all 87 respondents to the DoodleMaths Questionnaire. It was very useful to gain an insight into how this can be used at home and see how this varies across the year groups.

My child uses DoodleMaths at home:

86 responses



From the generally positive feedback, we decided to continue with DoodleMaths subscriptions for children in Years 1-6.

If you did not complete the questionnaire but would like to share your thoughts, you can still complete it here: https://forms.gle/QBixHrjpFEjUzXyh9

The Doodle Spring Challenge



DoodleMaths Spring Challenge

DoodleMaths have organised a Spring Challenge to encourage children to spend a few minutes each day Doodling. They may be able to win a free pin badge and certificate by taking part. It is also an encouragement for parents to link themselves to their child's account, as parents need to register for the challenge. If you are interested, please click here for the flyer.

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PE Successes

Year 6 Tag Rugby Tournament - Wednesday 9th February

On the 9th of February, pupils from Year 6 went to a tag rugby tournament at Market road. The William Tyndale contestants were split into two teams: pink team and yellow team. Pink team consisted of: **Donovan, Troi, Alfie. W, Eva, Keira, Imogen, Luca** and **Otto**. The yellow team participants were: **Elliot, Alfie C, Alijah, Vlad, Seve, Lola, Emma** and **Gabi**. Pink team scored the first goal of the match with Troi scoring a terrific try, but unfortunately went on to draw 2-2. Unfortunately, due to some injuries, they lost their other games, despite their valiant efforts, and came joint fourth. The William Tyndale yellow team went on to win all four games, earning themselves all gold medals. Both the yellow and pink team put in 100% effort, so congratulations to all teams that took part in the tag rugby tournament.

By Alfie C, Elliot, Donovan and Troi, Year 6

Islington Swimming Finals at Ironmonger Row Baths - Tuesday 22nd February

After school on the 22nd of February 2022, 8 children (**Filippo, Vera, Arielle, Molly, Brent, Sophia, Gyan** and **Ariya** from Year 5) went to Ironmonger Row swimming pool at 4:30pm for the Islington swimming finals. We met up with Jessie (Year 6 teacher) to get ready for the practices. When we saw the other schools we saw that they had up to 20 children while we had 8. Our first race was taken by Molly (1st year 5 freestyle girl) and as the crowds cheered Molly managed to get first place and win a gold medal which we were very excited about. Then after a couple of races (we didn't have all the people so we couldn't do all the races) it was Gyan's turn to race (1st year 5 freestyle boy) and as the race finished he got 3rd and got a bronze medal. Then it was Filippo's turn as the second Year 5 freestyle boy but he wasn't in the top 3. Sophia went next as a Year 5 breaststroke girl but despite her good efforts also didn't get in top 3 as well. Brent did backstroke and got 3rd, winning a bronze medal. Finally Vera, Arielle, Molly and Ariya swam a girls relay race and nearly got 3rd.

Then we packed up and our parents brought us home.

• Filippo, Year 5



Ironmonger Row Baths

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Inclusion Festival at the Sobell Centre - Friday 4th March

We went by bus to the Sobell Centre with Jenny, Anne, Elise and Kerry. The kids who went were Masahiro, Bailey, Charlie, Caleb, Brody, Idrees, Khalil and me. We got off the bus to walk to the Sobell Centre. When we got there all the activities were set up for us. One activity was taking penalties in football against a man with an old Real Madrid kit on and against a man with an Inter Milan kit. I scored four penalties and Kerry took a video of it with her ipad. We also played curling which I really enjoyed. We had races where we had to throw bean bags through hoops. I was really fast. Bailey scored the highest points in curling. He was very good. Next time we go I hope we do trampolining.

• Riccardo, Year 6

Year 5 Basketball Tournament - Wednesday 16th March

On Wednesday the 16th of March 2022, a basketball tournament took place. Zach and Ash came to our classes to pick us up. It started at the beginning of school at 9am and **Louie**, **Michael**, **Kairon**, **Tessa**, **Neave** and **Sophia** went on the 271 bus, towards St Aloysius Secondary School (*below*). We also met Canonbury on the bus, and at this point we realised that we were allowed substitutes, however we didn't have any! We also noticed that our opposition were all Year Six! When we got there we started practising until our first game. We were split up into pink and



green teams. On the pink team were: Louie, Kairon and Tessa; and on the green were: Michael, Neave and Sophia. The pink team played and lost their first match 6-0. In case you didn't know, the points go up in two. Green team played and lost 4-2. Then it was Pink again and they lost 4-0. Green then lost 7-6 because of a free throw. Pink played and, not down to the lack of trying, lost again 6-2. And in the last game Pink drew 6-6. We then went back to school.

Louie, Year 5

Premier League Primary Stars Boys U11 Football Tournament - Thursday 17th March

We left school at 9:30 AM and arrived at the Market Road Football Pitches at approximately 10:15 AM. Our coach, Mr Forbes, was very impressed in the group stages as we won 3 out of 3 games and in total we scored seven goals and conceded none. We progressed to the knockout stages after finishing first in our group. Our first match in the knockout stages was against a school which I don't unfortunately remember the name of. It was a very tight game but they scored in the very last minute of added time and they beat us 1-0 and we were unfortunately out. In summary I think the team played very well even though we were knocked out quite early.

Mak, Year 6

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Year 4 Girls Football Festival at the Arsenal Hub - Tuesday 22nd March

First, we went on the 43 bus to the Arsenal Hub. On the way to the bus, we saw two super cute puppies. When we arrived, we saw two other schools getting ready like us. We were one hour early so we went to explore around the outside of the Emirates Stadium, and saw statues of famous footballers. We saw pictures of the history of football players and what happened in their lives. We played a game with Ash where we had to find the event closest to the year we were born on the football timeline on the wall. At the Hub, we were split into teams and we played short matches against each other and the other schools. After that, we had lunch and went back to school.

Marina and Isabella, Year 4





Year 5 Puppet Club

As part of the school's partnership with the Little Angel Theatre, some children in Year 5 took part in creating puppets of their future selves.

In the puppet club, we learned how to make a puppet with Little Angel Theatre. We based our puppet on our future selves. We learned how to put all the parts of a puppet together. It was quite tricky to make the arms of the puppet! It was fun because we could make puppets with our friends! We showed our puppets to the whole of year 5. We were quite nervous but we still managed to present our puppets! - *Henry and Zuhair, Year 5*





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Science Workshops

Inspired by Science Week and it's theme, Growth, Year 3 and 6 had Tom, an ex air-craft engineer come in and discuss the effect growth of population and temperature has had on the energy sources used in the UK and across the world and the need for alternative solutions. Enter, wind turbines. The children created their own and tested the conditions that they worked best in.



Year 3 also had a workshop from Thames Water about the water cycle and the important roles we play in keeping our water systems clean.



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Instrumental Concerts

This half term we were thrilled to be able to return to our live concerts. We have been treated to performances by the orchestra (with its first ever percussion section!), which included rousing renditions of Pirates of the Caribbean and Scarborough Fair. We were also impressed with hearing a wide range of music, from classical to musicals, and jazz and rock, during dazzling performances by children on the guitar, cello, flute, trumpet, trombone, violin and clarinet. It was lovely to see these children really enjoy their music making! Many thanks go to **Vahan**, **Abi**, **Ruth**, **Zack**, **Matt** and **Dom**, our wonderful instrumental teachers. Sadly, we have to say farewell to **Abi** and to **Ruth** and we thank them for all the fantastic work they have done with our children!

Tanya

The orchestra opened the concert with style followed by the flutes and brass. The cellists were next with some super solos and fantastic duets. The grand finale was the orchestra playing Old Town Road and Industry Baby encoring with Industry Baby.

Lola, Year 6

Last Friday afternoon, 18th February, from 2:15 onwards, I played the flute alongside all the other musicians. It was particularly interesting to hear all the different varieties of music and sounds that instruments can make. I particularly enjoyed playing all four songs with the orchestra - Old Town Road, Scarborough Fair, Pirates of the Caribbean and Industry Baby. However, as fun as it was, I still miss our flute teacher, Abi, who has been at this school for 5 long years. - Isana, Year 6

I was lucky enough to bump into a group of year 3 guitarists on their way to their lesson. They talked happily about what they had played. Ari, Uma, Ameli, Misti and Rivers performed Jambalaya in the concert which used the chords C and G that required 16 strums each. Uma said, "It made me really proud, because I hadn't played in a concert before."





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Year 4 Swimming

Year 4 completed an intensive two week swimming course at Highbury Pool from 7th March. Well done to all the children, who made fantastic progress with their swimming. It was a very tiring couple of weeks and everyone showed that they aim high and stay positive.







Right Of The Month April: Article 24





































Article 24 says that,

"Governments must work to provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment so that children can stay healthy".

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Worries or Concerns

If you have any concerns, no matter how small, about your child, please see their **class teacher** in the first instance via <u>parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk</u> or after school when collecting your child.

Please do not feel you have to wait until parent conferences to discuss matters about your child.

If you are not satisfied with the way in which your concern has been addressed then do please make an appointment to see **Tanya** (Head Teacher), **Claire** (Deputy Head Teacher), **Bea** (Assistant Head Teacher), **Olivia** (Assistant Head Teacher and SEND Leader), or **Sophie** (Assistant Head Teacher).

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 there are any changes to this information, going forward, please call the school office or email parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk by 3 pm, as we will not let any child go home with anyone 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 Kids' Club. Kids' 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.

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 am - 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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Support Services Offered By Islington

Corinne, Pastoral Lead, has collated some of the services that are offered by Islington. This is not an exhaustive list and do continue to contact the school if you require support.

Islington

Bright Futures, Early Help 5-19 (school-age to 19 years)

 $\underline{https://directory.islington.gov.uk/kb5/islington/directory/service.page?id=txWgdPi-Gz0}$

Islington

Bright Start Family Support Service

Parents-to-be and parents and carers of children under 5 years

https://directory.islington.gov.uk/kb5/islington/directory/service.page?id=oYzOeiLheaA

Islington Parenting Programmes

http://directory.islington.gov.uk/kb5/islington/directory/service.page?id=GOa1wRnKc E

Islington Benefits and Financial Support

https://www.islington.gov.uk/children-and-families/benefits-and-financial-support

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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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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 22nd October

HALF TERM Monday 25th – Friday 29th October

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 17th December 2021

INSET DAY Monday 20th December

SPRING TERM 2022

FIRST DAY OF TERM Tuesday 4th January 2022

HALF TERM Monday 14th – Friday 18th 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 19th April 2022

May Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May

HALF TERM Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June

Spring Bank Holidays Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 15th July 2022

INSET DAY Monday 18th July

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Dates for the Academic Year 2022 - 2023

AUTUMN TERM 2022

FIRST DAY OF TERM Thursday 1st September

INSET DAYS

Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL Monday 5th September 2022

INSET DAYS Thursday 20th and Friday 21st October

HALF TERM Monday 24th – Friday 28th October

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 16th December 2022

SPRING TERM 2023

FIRST DAY OF TERM Tuesday 3rd January 2023

HALF TERM Monday 13th – Friday 17th February

INSET DAY Monday 20th February

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 31st March 2023

SUMMER TERM 2023

FIRST DAY OF TERM Monday 17th April 2023

May Bank Holiday Monday 1st May

HALF TERM Monday 29^h May – Friday 2nd June

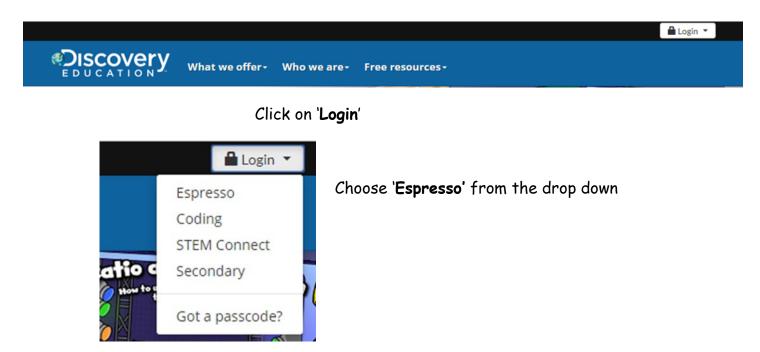
Spring Bank Holiday Monday 29th May

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN Friday 21st July 2023

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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.

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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