

Reaching out

William Tyndale
Primary School



An exceptional education for all

6th May 2022

Welcome to the Summer Term. A big thank you to **Nancy and her team** for running another fabulous holiday playscheme (see below).

We are only three weeks into the term and a great deal has already been achieved - Year 3 have been to the Tower of London, Year 5 have visited the Little Angel Theatre, Year 1 had a trip to the Postal Museum, Year 3 and 4 have participated in a Tennis Competition and only yesterday Year 4 experienced Wonderlab at the Science Museum (please read about all of these below). Year 2 children are getting started with their assessments over the month of May and next week Year 6 will take their SATs; we wish you all the best luck and know that all your hard work will be well rewarded.

Children over the age of 5 are now eligible for Covid vaccinations. We encourage all those that are eligible to receive the vaccinations to reduce as many absences from school as possible.

Congratulations to **Maggie** and **Keira** as their artwork has been selected for the Islington Faiths Forum calendar (see below).

Read below to see how we celebrated Earth Day on 22nd April.

A huge well done to the children who passed their Brass exams (read more below).

In May, our Skill of the Month is Aiming High and our Right of the Month is **ARTICLE 30: Minority Culture, Language and Religion**. Please read below for more information.

Next week, 9th-13th May, is Mental Health Awareness week; please have a look below for more information.

With the reduction in Covid cases in the community, we are pleased to announce that Walk In Friday will recommence on **Friday 27th May** and every subsequent Friday. Please read below for more information.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Bea Mayer - Assistant Head Teacher

EVENTS

May

Week of 9th KS2 SATs

16th Year 6 Trip to Jewish Museum

25th Class photographs

June

Week of 6th Year 4 multiplication check begins

8th Honesty Class trip to Roman Mithraeum

Week of 13th Year 6 to PGL

15th Peony Class trip to Roman Mithraeum

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

13th Year 4 trip to Kew Gardens

15th Last Day of Summer Term

Holiday Play Scheme

18th - 22nd July and 25th - 29th July

The next newsletter will be published on **10th June**.

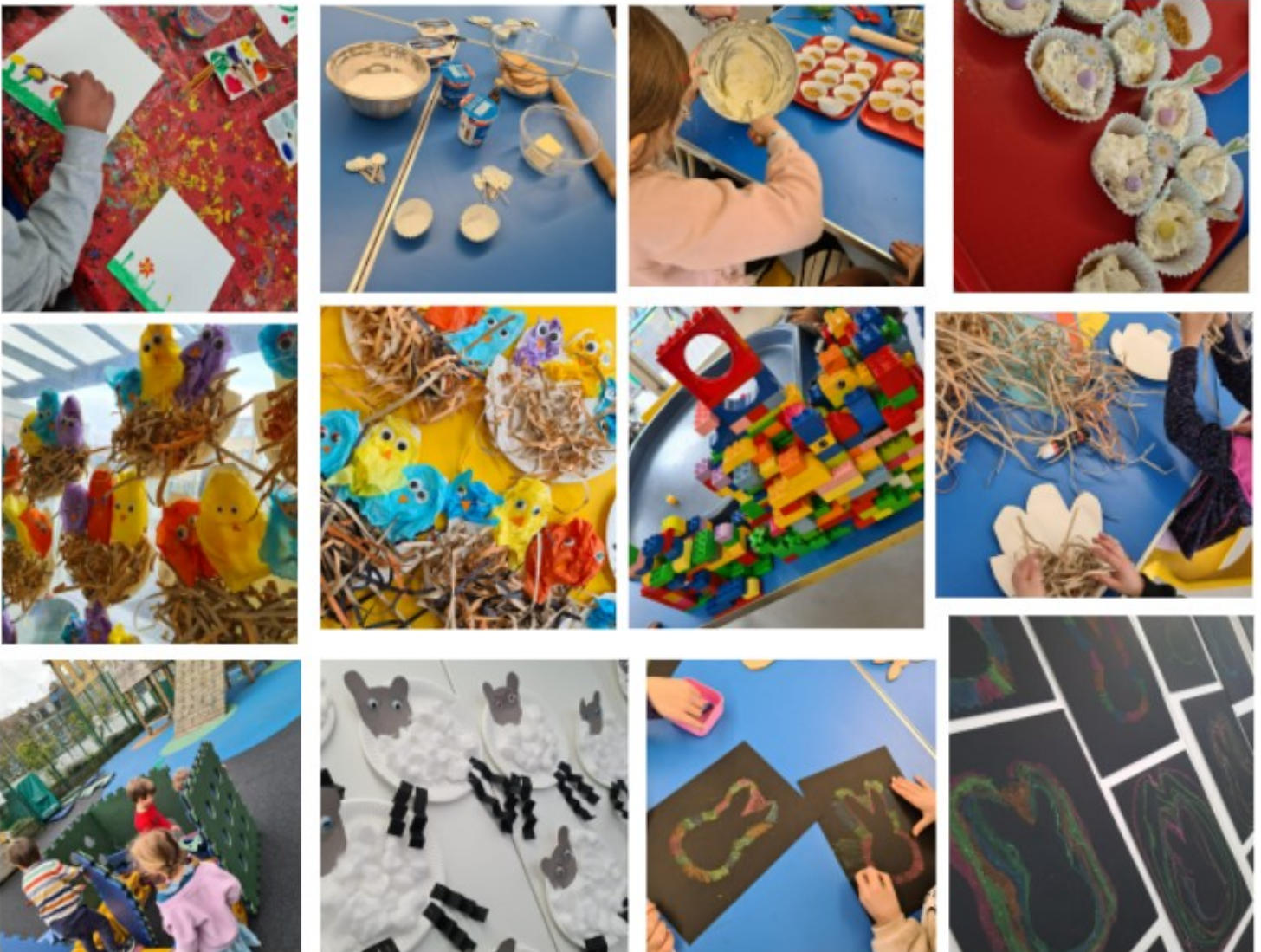
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Spring Holiday Playscheme

A big thank you to Nancy, Elvira, Aysun, Tracie, Stephanie, Kerry and Sunita for running such a successful holiday playscheme over the Spring break. As you can see from the photos below, there were lots of wonderful craft activities - paper plate art making lambs, pastel bunnies, finger paintings of April showers and the extremely popular baking of mini egg cheese cakes. The children loved these creative activities as well as all the physical activities, like dance and gymnastics with Nick, a mini sports day on the pitch, parachute fun and the continuous offer of outside play. The children particularly enjoyed being really creative, building forts with the Poddely in the playground.

We look forward to inviting the children to attend the Summer Playscheme from **18th - 22nd July** and **25th - 29th July**. The booking form will be emailed shortly.



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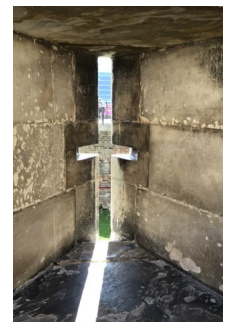
Year 3 Trip to the Museum of London

Last week, Year 3 were lucky enough to visit the Tower of London and learn all about Crime and Punishment. Our Guide Sarah, was visiting her husband, who had been locked up! We learnt all about the different crimes that meant you ended up at the Tower of London and the Punishments involved. Thankfully, the sun shone for us all day long, brightening up some of the spooky stories uncovered! It was such a treat to walk along the Thames and see the contrast between modern London skyscrapers and some of the more historic buildings along the way!



We went to the Tower of London to support our interesting topic of the Battle of Hastings, as the White tower was built by William the Conqueror. To get there, we got the 43, and it took us 40 minutes to arrive. The workshop we did was called 'Crime and Punishment', and we learnt about which crimes got which punishment. Before we took part in the workshop, we did some sketching, and ate our packed lunches. We also saw the beautiful crown jewels, which are kept in the jewel house.

By Lucy



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On Thursday 28th of April Udumbara and Shamrock classes went to the Little Angel Theatre to see Jina and the stem sisters. The show was about a little girl who gets lost in the woods and finds 5 female scientists who helped her find her way out and follow her dreams of being a scientist



The five scientists she met included. Digital-coder Ada Lovelace, glamorous inventor Hedy Lamarr, 'radiating' Marie Curie and pioneering astronaut Mae Jemison and more. It was a really good show because it reminded us of how the female scientists persevered to be who they wanted to be. **By Tessa and Elif, Year 5**

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Year 1 trip to the Postal Museum

Aster and Fuchsia class had wonderful time visiting this amazing museum on Tuesday 3rd May. We enjoyed a workshop all about the Jolly Postman where we learned about sorting and delivering mail and the importance of putting stamps on our letters.

We even got to ride the mail train and journey back in time through the original tunnels and station platforms of London's 100-year old postal railway. We also had lots of fun role-playing postal workers in the wonderful play space area and learned some interesting facts about the post box! Did you know that The Royal Mail is one of the oldest postal systems in the world that is still running today? We also learned that the postal service was created in 1516 when Henry VIII was King! We thoroughly enjoyed our trip and were proud of our how fantastic the children were throughout the day.

Orla and Michelle



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Music Successes

We are very pleased to announce 4 children who passed their music exams for Brass Instruments: **Louie**, **Gabor** and **Zander** from Udumbrara class passed their Grade 1 and **Seve** from Nightshade class passed his Grade 3. Congratulations and well done for all the hard work that you put in.



PE Successes

Tennis Trip

Last Wednesday, 27th April, a handful of Year 3 and 4 students (Inu, Frankie, Julieta, Jasmine, Eymen, Alexander, Calla and Eloise) set off to Market Road where we would participate in a tennis tournament. We hoped for success in this challenging competition. After an exhausting walk, we arrived at the building and we went to our court. When we arrived, we got as much practice as possible so that we were prepared for the real games. Eventually, we started our first game and everyone was worried but super excited. Inu was the first to compete against Upper Holloway. In the crowds, cheers of excitement filled the room. Our incredible first victory gave us hope for later wins. We all tried our best and had an amazing time!



By Frankie and Inu



Golf Trip

On Wednesday 4th May, 10 students went on a golfing trip at Beacon High School (*below*). Firstly, we took the 43 bus but then we had to take a shortcut and get on another bus! After we walked a little bit, we reached a table on a sports pitch where we had to put all of our inventory on it.

Then we did loads of activities like hitting the target and launching the ball. It was really fun!

By Olive and Roman



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Year 4 Trip to the Science Museum

Today, we went on a trip to the Science Museum and saw a workshop and an exhibition. First we walked to the Overground station in Highbury and went on two trains, Victoria line and the District line. We went on a few escalators and we finally got there. When we left the underground station we walked and got to the museum.

Firstly, we left our bags and were instructed by someone that was working there that we should not run or leave at all during the time we spent in the Wonderlab, except if we have an adult with us and have a reasonable excuse to leave.

The Wonderlab was so cool! We saw lightning and we slid on a few slides. We also went on a chair that's attached to a rope and when you pull the rope you're lifting your own weight. There was metallic liquid and soft surfaces that when pressed down released a mist. There were also some planets and something that you twist and a ball flies through the pipe and falls back down. There are more things there than I can write down but there are way too many so let's continue. After that we went to have lunch and had a break.

Afterwards, we went to a workshop called who am I? And we played a few digital games on an interactive screen. After that we headed back downstairs and went to the underground station. Once again, we went on a few escalators and eventually got back to Highbury and Islington. Then finally we walked back to school.

By Heja (Leilani)



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Information from Islington Council

Covid vaccines are now available for all 5-11 year olds, and for 12-16s

Covid vaccines are now available for all 5-11 year olds. These can be booked through the [national booking scheme](#). The nearest local walk-in clinic is at Bidborough House WC1H 9BT in Camden.

Schools are advised to encourage families to take up the vaccine to reduce Covid absences in your school. Vaccines for all children age 12+ are also still available.

For further information about the vaccine and opening times for local clinics see the [NCL website](#).

Islington Faiths Forum Competition

This year the children in Key Stage One and Two took part in the Islington Faiths Forum Calendar Competition. The theme for the competition was *"Unity in Diversity: We Are One."* This was an opportunity for children to design a picture that represented their interpretation of this particular theme. There were hundreds of entries received from different schools all over Islington. Therefore, we were very pleased to find out that two of our school entries were chosen for the new calendar. Well done to all the children who entered the competition.

Here are the wonderful images designed by **Maggie** in year 3 and **Keira** in year 6. They can be seen in the [IFF 2022-2023 calendar](#).

Maggie Year 3



"Unity in Diversity: We Are One" by Maggie



JANUARY 2023



Keira Year 6



"Unity in Diversity: We Are One" by Keira



OCTOBER 2022



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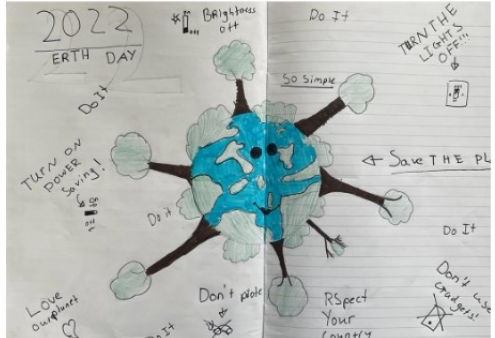
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EARTH DAY

Here are some of the amazing activities we got up to for Earth Day!



Reception made Earth Day hats.



Year 5 designed Earth Day posters.

Year 2 read 'Omar, the Bees and Me', planted some seeds and made Earth Day posters.



Year 3 made Earth Day pledges.



Year 1 painted beautiful Spring blossom trees.

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A huge well done to the student council for their first assembly!! On Tuesday 26th April and 27th April, the student council delivered an assembly about food waste in our school. They spoke about how food waste was linked to the right of the month in *April - Article 24: Health, Water, Food, Environment* and how students at William Tyndale can reduce their food waste.



Where does our food come from? Timeline

1. Farmers grow, harvest crops and raise animals
2. The food is transported in different ways - trucks, trains and boats
3. The food is transported to different countries
4. Your meals are made by the cooks in our school kitchen



Right Of The Month May: Article 30



Article 30 - Minority or indigenous groups, culture, language and religion

Every child has the right to learn and use the language, customs and religion of their family whether or not these are shared by the majority of the people in the country where they live.

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Mental Health Awareness Week



Mental Health Awareness Week takes place between **9th and 13th May** and this year's theme is '**loneliness**'. One of the ways we can combat loneliness is by looking at belonging and connection. We will support Mental Health Awareness Week through assemblies and Corinne and Alicen will be leading workshops with some children. Please have a look at the [Every Mind Matters Loneliness](#) webpage, which has advice and suggested support routes for ways adults can help themselves or others who may be feeling lonely.

Walk in Friday

We are pleased to announce that the traditional Walk In Friday will restart from **Friday 27th May** and continue for every Friday for the rest of the year.

It is an opportunity for parents and carers to:

- come into their child/ren's classroom from **8:45** until the register is called at **9am**;
- see the fantastic displays around the school and the work that your child has in front of them - please don't look through other books in the class;
- see your child's classroom and how well they get on with their work at the start of the morning.

We would be really grateful if you could make sure that you leave the classroom when the teacher starts taking the register at 9am and leave the building promptly to ensure that learning can continue. We know that it has been a long time since you have been able to be in the building and that there is a lot to see, so we know that the first Walk In may take a little longer but we really appreciate your support in ensuring the least disruption to children's learning as possible. We look forward to seeing you on **Friday 27th May!**

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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 parentmessages@williamtyndale.islington.sch.uk 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 [Parent and Carer Handbook](#) 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)

<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	<i>Tuesday 31st August</i>
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	Wednesday 1st September 2021
<i>In lieu of Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday</i>	<i>Friday 22nd October</i>
HALF TERM	Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th October
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 17th December 2021
INSET DAY	Monday 20 th December

SPRING TERM 2022

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
HALF TERM	Monday 14 th – Friday 18 th February
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 1st April 2022
INSET DAYS	Monday 4 th & Tuesday 5 th April

SUMMER TERM 2022

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Tuesday 19 th April 2022
<i>May Bank Holiday</i>	<i>Monday 2nd May</i>
HALF TERM	Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June
<i>Spring Bank Holidays</i>	<i>Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June</i>
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 15th July 2022
INSET DAY	Monday 18 th July

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Dates for the Academic Year 2022 - 2023

AUTUMN TERM 2022

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Thursday 1 st September
INSET DAYS	Thursday 1 st and Friday 2 nd September
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL	Monday 5th September 2022
INSET DAYS	Thursday 20 th and Friday 21 st October
HALF TERM	Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th October
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 16 th December 2022

SPRING TERM 2023

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023
HALF TERM	Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th February
INSET DAY	Monday 20 th February
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 31 st March 2023

SUMMER TERM 2023

FIRST DAY OF TERM	Monday 17 th April 2023
May Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May
HALF TERM	Monday 29 ^h May – Friday 2 nd June
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 29 th May
LAST DAY OF TERM FOR CHILDREN	Friday 21 st July 2023

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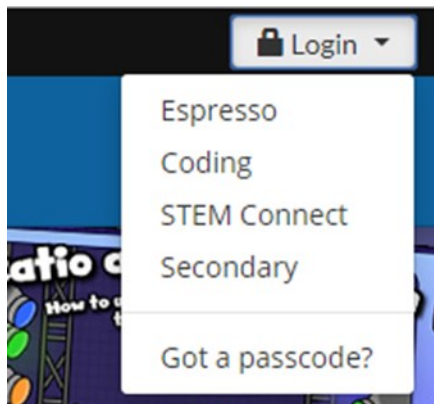
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ESPRESSO HOME ACCESS

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/>



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.



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.

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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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