

William Morris Primary School
William Morris Way
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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fab half term! Well done to all the children, especially for our new Reception and Nursery children for settling in so well. Have a lovely break and we will see you all after the holidays!

Covid reminder—please let us know if anyone in your household has any symptoms or has a Coronavirus test over the holidays, thank you.

Mrs J Fraser, Headteacher



Life Skills

As mentioned in our previous letter, we are really excited to begin our work on William Morris Life Skills Curriculum. This curriculum will run alongside the national curriculum and will include skills, experiences, characteristics and achievements which we want children at William Morris to have before they leave us in Year 6. The Life Skills Curriculum will enable our children to become confident, all rounded citizens ready for the next stage of their life journey.

Our ethos at WM is based around working together, therefore we would like to ask parents to complete a survey to share your ideas and thoughts about what you would like to see included in our Life Skills Curriculum. In our Life Skills Curriculum, we would like to:

- include experiences which children may not have elsewhere
- develop children's mental and physical health
- increase children's social skills

Please fill out the survey with the top 3 areas you would like to see included under the following headings:

- Skills
- Experiences
- Characteristics
- Achievements

After half term, teachers have a teacher development inset day to further develop our school curriculum and plan how our Life Skills Curriculum will fit alongside the national curriculum and year group objectives. We will share this work with parents later in the year.

Survey link: Click Here

TD INSET DAY CHANGE

Just to make parents aware, we have managed to book training for staff on 5th January on a Speech and Language intervention. This will be an excellent intervention for us to use at school, and so we have moved our TD day from Thurs 1st April to January 5th 2020 when school will be closed to children.



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Nursery Poppy and Daisy Classes

What a busy week—pumpkins, exploring the big field and Halloween!

























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YR Sunflower & Bellflower Classes

Bellflower and Sunflower class have had a super last few weeks in school, we have learnt lots more sounds from the Phonics Fairy and are now looking forward to bringing reading books home next term. We have learnt all about harvest, where we got to make bread and very much enjoyed eating it! We have looked at the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears and have enjoyed playing with porridge oats, making porridge, along with retelling the story. In maths we have continued to learn numbers up to 8, we look forward to learning 9 and 10 when we come back. We have also been looking at learning our 2D shapes, which we have used to make shape pictures, pumpkin faces and so much more! In PE we were lucky enough to have the climbing frame out, we were all very brave and climbed on the frame, some of us even managed to reach the top! Please continue to support us by encouraging your children to get changed independently at home. We have had a fabulous first term, we hope you have an amazing half term and we will see you in November!



















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Year 1 Tulip Class

We had so much fun planting with our parents and then dressing up for Halloween this week!





