

# William Austin Infant School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This half-term is going really fast and it is another very busy one. Attached to this letter is some information about the work your child will be doing at school this half-term. Curriculum plans do change sometimes, but we hope this information will be of interest to you.

Kind regards,

Mrs B Kang, Headteacher



The weather at the moment is quite unpredictable, sunny one day and raining the next! Can you please make sure your child brings their coat to school every day.

If it is sunny, please apply sun cream to your child before they come to school, and send them in to school with a sunhat to wear when they go outside to play. We do reduce the length of time the children spend outside if it's very hot, and will make use of the shaded and sheltered areas on the playgrounds to protect them from the sun.

Please can they also remember to bring a water bottle and their book bag to school each day.



## School Photographs

On Tuesday the professional school photographer visited the school to take individual photographs of the children. He commented on how well behaved our children are. We are very proud of how the children interact with professionals that come into school. They are always polite and demonstrate the school values in a positive way.

Photograph proofs will be sent home in the next couple of weeks. You will have a choice of photo packages to choose from, and you will be able to order these online or by sending payment into school if you wish.



## Special Assembly Diary Dates

Each Year group will be having a special End of Term Assembly that we would love you to join us for!

**Year R - Tuesday 15 July**

**Year 1 - Wednesday 16 July, and**

**Year 2 - Thursday 17 July**

More information will follow. We want to give you as much notice as possible, so that working parents can book time off to attend if needed for these special events!



## Parent Survey

This term we will be sending an email to all parents, inviting you to complete an online Parent Survey similar to that used by Ofsted in the inspection of schools to gather your views and feedback about our school. We would like you to tell us what you think we do well and where we could improve. The survey should only take a few minutes to complete, and we would really appreciate your participation. Thank you.



## Starting School September 2026

If you have a child, or know anyone that has a child, born between

**1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022**

who would like their child to attend our school from September 2026 please come into school to register them now.



## A Note About 'Staying Safe'

Please help us to keep all children safe – if you bring your child to school by car, please:-

- DO NOT park on the yellow zig-zag lines outside school
- DO NOT park on pavements in a way that it is difficult for others to get past with a buggy
- DO NOT park in a disabled space if you do not have a blue badge
- DO NOT drop your children off in the middle of the road
- DO NOT block local residents' driveways.
- Please do not enter the school car park, and do not use the car park entrance as a turning or drop off area.



## Our Lovely Geoff!

Our Lollipop Man, Geoff James attended a Luton Council awards ceremony last week, where he was honoured with an Employee of the Year award for his professionalism, dedication and friendliness as our School Crossing Patrol Officer!

As some of you may be aware, Geoff was badly hurt in November 2023 when he was struck by a car. Despite the severity of his injuries, Geoff remained positive throughout his recovery and worked diligently with specialists and physiotherapists in his determination to return to the job he loves.

Luton Council recognises that Geoff's dedication to his job, even after such a harrowing experience, exemplifies his positive attitude and his valuable contribution to the town.

Congratulations Geoff, we are so pleased for you! Well deserved!!



**National Clean Air Day**

In school we will be recognising Clean Air Day on 19 June 2025. This national campaign aims to improve public understanding of air pollution and how it affects our health and the environment around us. It is also a good opportunity for our children to begin to develop an awareness of air pollution and some of the easier things we can all do to tackle it, helping to protect our health and the environment too.

The children will be asked to write a Pledge on how they might be able to help keep the air clean; for example they might pledge to walk to school rather than come by car! Hopefully this is something that as parents you could encourage too!



**Science Day**

On Friday 27 June we will be holding a Science day in school. This will involve children taking part in a range of different experiments throughout the day. We encourage children to see Science in everyday life and during Science day we will be encouraging children to try and be more observant to Science taking place around them. We also want children to see that many jobs use Science and how important this subject is in our daily lives.

As part of the day the children are invited to come to school dressed up as someone who uses Science within their job. This could be a doctor, vet, engineer, scientist, inventor or an astronaut. But please do not go out and buy a costume especially, try to create something from things you already have at home, for example an oversized white shirt can become a lab coat or doctor's jacket!



**Author of the Month**

This Month's Author is Julia Donaldson. Julia is an acclaimed children's author who has written over 200 books, including The Gruffalo, Zog, Room on the Broom and A Squash and a Squeeze to name just a few! The library has many of her books available for the children to borrow!

**National Thank a Teacher Day**

Next Wednesday, 18 June is National Thank a Teacher Day.

If you would like to, please complete a really short Google form (link in email) by 6pm on Tuesday 17 June to send your message of thanks to any member of our school staff. We will see that they receive your kind words. The link can be used more than once if you would like to thank more than one person!

Thank you for taking the time to make someone's day! All the school staff will really appreciate the lovely messages you write about them!!



Please share and discuss with your child at home.



**? DID YOU KNOW ?**



A lightning strike can reach up to 30,000 degrees Celsius. This is around six times hotter than the surface of the sun. While a lightning bolt may look huge, its actual size is only as long as that of a ballpoint pen.



# YEAR R WOW'S!



**Buttercup Class enjoyed taking part in all the different activities on our Australia Day!**

**Daisy Class had a great time acting out the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'!**



**Poppy Class had fun making fairy bread on Australia Day!**

**Snowdrop Class enjoyed pretending to be different animals during a Drama workshop!**



# YEAR 1 WOW'S!

**Oak Class had great fun performing in their Animal Workshop!!**



**Beech Class have enjoyed planting their sunflowers!**

**Pine Class enjoyed visiting Whipsnade Zoo!!.**



**Willow Class enjoyed making their animal print pencil cases!**

# YEAR 2 WOW'S!



**Kingfisher Class were interested in exploring what food are part of a healthy diet!**

**Lark Class enjoying learning how to play the ukelele!**



**Owl Class had an amazing time creating Art in the style of Andy Goldsworthy!**

**Puffin Class trying hard to play the ukulele!**



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