

William Austin Infant School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term. We hope that everyone had a restful Easter break.

This half term is going to be a very busy one, as we have lots of exciting things planned for the children. We will be sending a curriculum newsletter home next week with information about the work your child will be doing in school this half term.

Although it is the Summer term, and Summer uniform is now allowed to be worn, the weather can be very changeable as we know only too well, so please make sure your child wears sensible shoes and brings a coat to school every day.



Kind regards,

Mrs B Kang, Headteacher

Site Security

During the Easter holidays a new intercom system was installed at the main entrance into school to further improve the security of the school site. Visitors, including parents, who wish to speak to the office will now be required to use the intercom to gain access to the lobby just inside the main entrance. Please follow the instructions posted on the door by the entrance.

Lockdown Practise

Following updated guidance from the Local Authority, and a review of our Lockdown procedures, we will be undertaking a Lockdown Practise with the children during the week beginning Monday 28 April. This is in line with other school procedures that are practised regularly, and a letter with more detailed information about this will be sent home next Monday. In the extremely rare event that a school needs to go into Lockdown, it is important that staff and children know exactly what to do, which is why this will be carried out as a precautionary measure. The children will be reassured and well supported throughout this procedure, which will only take a short time to complete.

Culverhouse Road Closure

A reminder that that the whole length of Culverhouse Road, from the junction of Austin Road to the junction of Montrose Avenue will be closed to all vehicles from next Monday, 28 April, between 8.00am until 6.00pm, for up to 6 days for essential carriageway work. An email with more information was sent out on Thursday 24 April, so please refer to this too.

The school gates will be accessible by foot as normal, and children are expected to attend school, and arrive on time, as normal too, so please allow extra time for your journey. Thank you for your cooperation.

Diary Dates

Monday 28 April - Year 1 Phonics meeting for Year 1 parents.

Monday 5 May - School Closed (Bank Holiday)

Wednesday 7 May - Year 1 trip to Whipsnade Zoo (letter sent home on Thursday 24 April)

Friday 23 May - Last day of Summer 1st half-term

Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May - Half-term holiday

Monday 2 June - Staff training day

Monday 9 June to Friday 13 June - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Tuesday 10 June - Individual pupil professional photos

Tuesday 22 July - Last day of Summer 2nd Term.

Important Information - Please Read...

We often have requests from parents asking members of school staff to sign legal documentation.



Whilst the school office is more than happy to provide parents with a letter to confirm their child's attendance at our school, it is school protocol that **no** members of our school staff are able to verify a child or adult's identity, or put their signature to legal documentation of any kind (for example, passport or visa applications, naturalisation paperwork, etc).

Please bear this in mind for the future, and try not to put any of our staff in an awkward position by asking them to sign anything of this description. Thank you.

After School Clubs

A reminder that the after school Clubs for Year 1 and 2 children start next week, from Tuesday 29 April. Please remember to collect your child from school promptly at 4.30pm if they are taking part. Thank you.



WOW moments!!

EID CELEBRATIONS IN SCHOOL!!

On the last day of the Spring term we celebrated Eid ul Fitr in school!

Parents were invited in to an Eid workshop in the morning where they enjoyed making different crafts with their children. The children enjoyed a special lunchtime menu, and a party in the afternoon.

It was a lovely day, and we hope those of you that joined in the workshop in the morning had a lovely time too!!

