



# William Ford CE Junior School

## Weekly Newsletter Summer Term 2 Week 2

Dear parents/carers and pupils,  
Many of you are members of our school Facebook group hence have seen the message I placed about a potential new school residential for next year's Year Six cohort. The amount of positivity I have received about this means I am pursuing a booking for next year but plan to visit the site first before committing the school. This visit will take place on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June and I will report back after. For those of you not on Facebook, I will copy the message below.

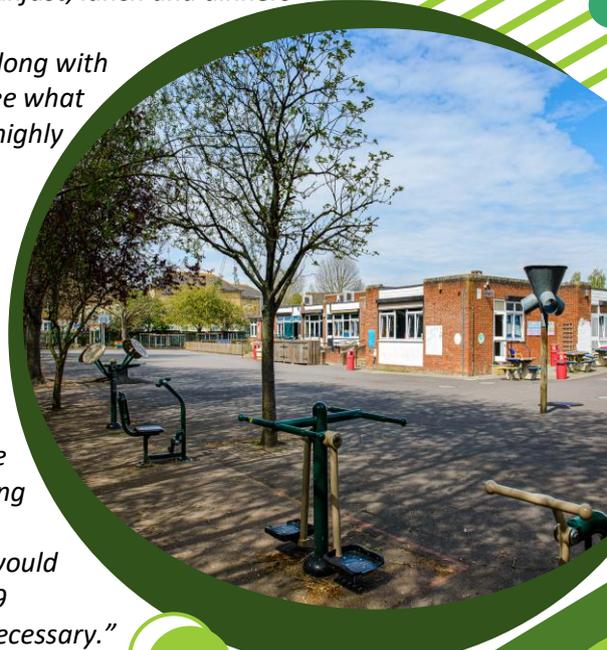
*"As part of our commitment to providing children with experiences that families sometimes may find more challenging to provide, we are looking at improving our school residential in Year Six.*

*School residentials are absolutely essential within a child's development as they help children to become more independent, be away from home and learn skills of teamwork and co-operation.*

*I am proposing we book a PGL centre called Bawdsey Hall, located in a beautiful setting on the Suffolk coast. I am considering a two night booking in July 2022, meaning children would depart on a Wednesday morning and return Friday afternoon. They will be staying in tents of about four to five people that have a concrete base and have proper beds inside. Children would need to bring their own pillows and sleeping bags. They will receive cooked breakfast, lunch and dinners throughout the stay including a choice of options.*

*The activities on offer include raft building, buggy building, zip wire, abseiling along with camp fires, hiking, beach walk etc. At this stage I would not be able to guarantee what activities would be on offer but there would be an excellent selection all led by highly qualified individuals who ensure everything is safe. There will also be a good number of school staff accompanying. For more information, please view this video <https://vimeo.com/74556540> which I will be sharing with Year Five and this website <https://www.pgl.co.uk/.../primary.../centres/bawdsey-manor>.*

*I imagine the first question many of you have is cost. This is hard to determine as the more children who sign up, the cheaper the coach journey becomes. I have also allocated £8,000 from the school budget to help fund this opportunity (showing how valuable the school considers such an opportunity). I anticipate the cost per pupil will be £120 although I may well be able to reduce this further depending on numbers. For Pupil Premium families I would be looking at a cost of around £70. I recognise this is a substantial amount hence I want to gauge interest before booking. We would need an initial deposit of £30 which would be non-refundable and then we would allow 10 monthly payments of around £9 (£5 for Pupil Premium). I am happy to arrange a Zoom meeting for parents if necessary."*



Finally, I know some parents are keen to find out who their child's teacher will be next year. I plan to share this information on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July when I hope children will get a chance to meet their new teacher. **Please do remember what was shared earlier in the year that Year Three and Year Five classes will be mixed to ensure classes are balanced in terms of ability and behaviour as well as providing an opportunity for children to work with a wider variety of others.**

I pray you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mr. David Huntingford  
Headteacher



### Psalm 91:4

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.



# Meet our TEAM

## This week:

Miss Finch has worked at William Ford for nine years and delivers our P.E. Miss Finch has played football from a young age and currently plays for Barking Ladies on the left wing. She has also met Ed Sheeran and Little Mix.



**Interesting fact:** Miss Finch has an identical twin.

## Kerry's Korner

EURO NON UNIFORM DAY



To celebrate the European Cup Final 2020  
**We will be having a non uniform day on Friday 18th June**  
On this day you can pay £1 to wear your team's colours or football kits to school

## Message from the Local Authority and NHS

Aged 18+ in north east London and need your first Covid-19 jab?



If you live in Barking and Dagenham, City of London, Hackney, Havering, Newham, Redbridge, Tower Hamlets or Waltham Forest, book now to have your first Covid-19 vaccination at the London Stadium.

We're inviting all local people to a vaccination event on Saturday, 19 June from 10am to 8pm at the London Stadium (West Ham) in the Olympic Park, Stratford, London.

If you live in Barking and Dagenham, City of London, Hackney, Havering, Newham, Redbridge, Tower Hamlets or Waltham Forest, register here to join us to have your first Covid-19 vaccination.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/london-stadium-vaccination-event-on-saturday-19-june-2021-tickets-158453922949>



## Oh no you didn't... Oh yes we did!



By Ruby Carey

I really enjoyed this pantomime because it was funny. I loved the story of Treasure Island. The best parts were when Jim had to go and find the treasure and they went all the way to the island and couldn't even find it! I also loved the way the narrator jumped in and out of the screen – it was so clever! When they were singing all the songs it really put a smile on my face.



On Tuesday, the whole school joined the Young Voices attempt to break the record for the largest number of

people to simultaneously sing (currently 293,978). 325 children participated with gusto. All of the staff were very proud of the children and moved by their incredible singing. If you would like to see the clip of the whole school attempting to sing, [please see this link](#). If you would like to watch the official live stream, [follow this link](#).



# Have you been wondering what your children were up to in school?

## Well, wonder no more....

### Year Three

In our English lessons this week, Year 3 have studied the problems and resolutions that often occur in myths and legends. This has allowed the children to flex their creative muscles by planning their own legend in a setting they have chosen. For Maths, we have learned about 2D and 3D shapes. Our Design and Technology unit is called 'Moving Monsters' because we are preparing to make a monster toy that moves using air to open and close its mouth. To help us understand how this can be achieved, we made a simple pneumatic system which inflates and deflates a balloon using a syringe.



### Year Four

We have had such a busy and exciting week in Year Four. On Monday we were all entertained by a fantastic theatre production of Treasure Island. We especially loved singing along to the sea shanties. We had even more fun singing on Tuesday when we made our record-breaking attempt singing 'Lovely Day'. In English, we have continued our study of Carrie's War by writing a diary entry about Carrie's birthday and in geography we have compared and contrasted our modern lives with the traditional lifestyle of the Yanomami tribe who live in the Amazon rainforest. In maths, we are continuing our work on the properties of shape. We had a practical lesson on Thursday where we had to create our own shapes using materials such as lolly sticks. It was great

fun seeing how many different shapes we could make. We have also started our new design and technology unit this week. We are looking at seasonal foods and have made our own jam and fruit tarts. We also had a special science treat today organised by Mr Marbe. We were lucky enough to be visited by some amazing animals that we could see up close and in some cases even touch. We learnt so much about their habitats and behaviour and we had the opportunity to ask lots of questions of our own too.



### Year Five

This week in Year 5, we have been continuing with our new Ultimate Explorers topic, looking at the non-fiction e-book of that name. The children have been developing their skills in skimming and scanning the text for information, making comparisons within the text and drawing inferences then form an opinion. They have then used this information to argue their viewpoint in a debate using evidence from the text to support their views. They have now also begun researching about rainforests and what it would be like to explore them in preparation for writing their own page of the e-book to be used by Year 4 children in their forthcoming study of rainforests in Geography. In Maths, we have been continuing our work on properties of shape. The children have been looking at quadrilaterals and their properties; calculating lengths and angles in shapes and then also practising some arithmetical skills using formal written methods for addition and



subtraction. In Science, the children have been looking at how humans change over time and have produced some scatter graphs charting changes in height and handspan over a year and used the graph to analyse their data. In geography, the children have been continuing their research on the River Nile finding information in fact files and then showing their comprehension skills by answering a series of questions about it. Finally, In PE, we haven't allowed the rain to stop play in our cricket unit and have moved inside to the sports hall to develop skills in batting.

### Year Six

In English this week, pupils have planned and written stories based in an abandoned building or setting. The children have thought about tension and language that is chosen to create an impact. They have also thought about the cohesion of their story as a whole. In maths the children have drawn accurate shapes using a protractor and have ensured that all the angles they have drawn are precise. They have also found ways to calculate the total degrees of the interior angles of any polygon. Computing this week has seen the children using the combined skills learnt over the previous computing sessions to create their own spreadsheets recording data of their own choosing. Many children chose this opportunity to record data about the UEFA European Football Championships. The children have also completed a second session this week with local youth workers, preparing them for transition to secondary school.



They also really enjoyed taking part in the record breaking sing of 'Lovely Day'.



Year Three		
3A	<b>Name: Sophie</b> For: being a motivated and happy learner.	<b>Name: Rares</b> For: always being motivated to learn and his consistent efforts.
3D	<b>Name: Godgift</b> For: Working diligently in her Bookworm Challenge contributions during class discussions.	<b>Name: Chidimma</b> For: Positive attitude towards her work and being helpful at all times.
3M	<b>Name: Abdulsamad</b> For: His regular and thoughtful contributions to our class discussions.	<b>Name: Amar</b> For: Working hard and being kind.
Year Four		
4A	<b>Name: Fernando Montes-Martinez</b> For: Working brilliantly during a maths investigation	<b>Name: Toby Butler-Siggers</b> For: Being a kind and helpful classmate in ICT
4I	<b>Name: Jessica Hampton</b> For: Always being kind to others and for having a positive attitude.	<b>Name: Malvina Boateng</b> For: Doing a lovely optical illusion at home after being inspired by this week's art lesson.
4R	<b>Name: Evie Grace Anderson</b> For: Her positive change in attitude and trying hard across the curriculum	<b>Name: Maddison Warwick Roe</b> For: Working diligently this week with great focus, especially in English.
Year Five		
5B	<b>Name: Hallie Oguntayo</b> For: diligence and amazing attitude towards her work.	<b>Name: Olly Proctor-Overill</b> For: excellent behaviour, kindness to others and diligent attitude to his work
5H	<b>Name: Vanessa Adekoya</b> For: her fantastic scientific thinking when comparing data	<b>Name: Millun Martin</b> For: completing independent research at home about questions asked by his classmates
5P	<b>Name: Christian Giordano</b> For: maintaining a positive attitude in all his work	<b>Name: Scarlett Siggers</b> For: lighting up the room with her smile
Year Six		
6H	<b>Name: Davina Akanno</b> For: diligently working in all lessons to produce such lovely, high-quality work.	<b>Name: Emmanuel Ibitoye</b> For: excellent singing and signing for the Young voices 'Big Sing'.
6L	<b>Name: Lola Gale</b> For: Great effort in French lessons.	<b>Name: Harley King</b> For: Great effort in French lessons.
6N	<b>Name: Ella</b> For: Great attitude and effort in swimming.	<b>Name: Sabia</b> For: Great attitude and effort in swimming.



Learning from Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, to work diligently, act generously and live at peace with everyone.

*Psalm 34:14 - Seek peace and pursue it.*