

# William Martin CofE Schools and Nursery

Executive Headteacher: Gina Bailey

Head of School: Claire Kearney



*Experiencing life in all its fullness*

24<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents,

Well there's no doubt that this has been a bit of a year! When you reflect back at everything we've all been through, I feel pretty proud that we have managed to get to the end of the school year, still smiling, and with hope and excitement for all we have to look forward to over the summer holidays and the new school year!

Thank you for all your support and patience this year, all the staff really appreciate how understanding parents have been under very difficult circumstances, and this has really helped us get where we are now, positively and successfully!

The children have been so brilliant, every day they come in to school bringing their joy and energy, amazing us with their brilliant learning behaviour despite all the hurdles, difficulties and constant change they have had to deal with this year.

We hope they will really enjoy the last couple of weeks of term, and finish the year positively and happily.

## **Bike Stands Fundraising**

We would like to say a massive well done to Rachel in Y4, who raised an amazing £1000, by completing her sponsored bike ride, to buy bike stands for the pupils of William Martin. We are so proud of you Rachel and Mr Russell, is now sourcing the best racks ready to put in for September.



## **Health and Safety on site**

The pathway between infants and juniors is due for upgrading over the Summer holidays. Please follow the redirection signs.



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Can we please remind you that bikes and scooters must not be ridden on whilst on the school grounds.

## Lates

**The number of children arriving late has significantly increased.** Please ensure your child arrives in school before 9am, when the school gates close. This minimises disruption to children's learning and allows them to start the day in a positive way.

Mrs Bailey is carrying out spot checks at the Office gate in the morning, to speak to parents who are arriving late. If there is a genuine reason for running late, please contact the School Office, so they can advise Mrs Bailey.

## Sticky Questions

### Top Tips

- Try to give a full answer, explaining your choice
- To encourage discussion, disagree with your child
- Give one answer, then change your mind, discuss reasons why



## Sports Day

We ask that children please come to school on their day, wearing sports kit and, if possible, a t-shirt matching their house (Fire - Red, Earth - Green, Water - Blue, Air - Yellow). Please don't worry if they don't have a t-shirt of that colour, this is merely an optional extra. Please also ensure they come with a **drink of water** and that **sun cream is applied before school**. Sorry no parent spectators this year due to Covid restrictions.

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Y3/4**

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Y5/6**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Y1/2**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Reception and Nursery (This has changed since the 1<sup>st</sup> letter)**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July- KS2 running races (Participants of these races will be notified in advance)**



## Vine Passport

Children can bring in their Vine Passport on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July to show their teacher which zones have been completed. Badges and certificates will be awarded on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July and the passport returned to them. We have been so impressed but some children's efforts in completing the zones and creating amazing scrapbooks to document their challenges!

## Birthday sweets and treats

We have our termly birthday party for children who have had a birthday this term. Birthday Parties will be held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July. Birthday treats (individually wrapped) should be brought into school by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July.



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## Year 6 Production 'Cinderella Rockerfella'

Year 6 have been working hard rehearsing for their end of year production. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions we will not be able to invite parents in to watch. However, we are currently exploring ways of recording the production to make a lasting memory for you all.

## Summer Holiday Scrap book

You child will bring home a scrapbook with lots of suggestions of things to do over the Summer Holidays. Please look out for this in the last week of term.

Take care and stay safe,  
Best wishes,

Gina Bailey  
Executive Headteacher

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Head of School

Value of the half term: Wisdom



### Dates for your diary

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 6 to Harlow Outdoors

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July:** Annual Reports to parents

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July:** Transition session with new class teachers, Year 2 to be collected from the junior playground at 3.20pm (more details to follow)

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July:** Last day of term- Early Finish

### 2021-22

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September:** Non-pupil day

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September:** First day of the new school year

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October:** Last day of half term- normal finish times

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup>- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November:** Half Term Holiday (including Non-pupil day 1<sup>st</sup> November)

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November:** First day of Autumn 2 term



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