

**Governor Update**

We are pleased to announce four new members joining our governing body. Mrs Fabienne Betts, Mrs Sophie Foston, Mrs Katherine Paskin and Mr Gary Ridgway. Willoughby Local Governing Body (LGB) consists of the following nine governors:

<b>Mr James Husbands</b> Headteacher	<b>Mr Andrew Hancy</b> Chair to Governors	<b>Mr Mark Thomas</b> Vice Chair to Governors
<b>Miss Debora Carnell</b> Community Representative	<b>Mr Steve Bills</b> Community Representative	<b>Mr Gary Ridgway</b> Community Representative
<b>Mrs Katherine Paskin</b> Staff Governor	<b>Mrs Sophie Foston</b> Parent Governor	<b>Mrs Fabienne Betts</b> Parent Governor

**Christmas Tree Competition**

Pupils have been busy decorating their individual class Christmas trees. The Christmas trees have been displayed in the hall for staff to vote for their favourite tree. The trees were decorated with hand made Christmas wreaths, Christmas stockings, face masks and even hand sanitiser bottles. The votes have been counted, congratulations to Turquoise Class they are the overall winner with their sensory Christmas Tree. Rotary Club of Bourne Cecil Hodgkinson Charity have very kindly sponsored this competition and have provided a cheque for £35.00 for the winning class.



**Bourne Food Bank**

Red class decided this term, they would donate to Bourne Food bank. It was lovely to see a variety of items which will help local families in need. Thank you to everyone who contributed.



**Rudy Run**

St Barnabas Hospice is a local independent charity, every year they support more than 10,500 people across Lincolnshire with a life limiting or terminal condition. They deliver free, high-quality, compassionate end-of-life care and support to patients, their families and carers. They aim to enable them to live as fully as they are able for however many days, weeks or months they have left. They are reliant on the financial support our community provides so that they can be there for more patients, their families and carers, every day of the year. Willoughby Academy are supporting St Barnabas by walking, prancing and running around the school playground and Elsea Park. Individual classes are also completing their own sponsored activities including a sponsored Christmas disco. Other activities include a sponsored bowl, carol service and school quiz. St Barnabas is a charity very dear to our hearts, having supported students and their families through very difficult times. We hope you can support Willoughby Academy in their fundraising mission. Keep an eye out and give us a wave on Monday if you see us walking through Elsea Park, Bourne.



Please click on the link below if you would like to donate, alternatively pupils can bring a donation into school, thank you <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/willoughbyacademy>

### Indigo Class – Christmas Cakes

This half term Indigo students have created handmade Christmas gifts, cards and wrapping paper. This week students finished off their Christmas cakes, by adding icing and decorations. Making the Christmas cakes has been a real labour of love, with students starting off by researching Christmas cakes recipes during an ICT lesson. Students wrote an ingredients list in literacy and carefully weighed and measured the ingredients in a numeracy lesson. Students soaked the fruit in orange juice before creating the mixture and baking their cakes. This week they finally added marzipan and white icing before finishing off with more intricate individual decorations. They even had enough mixture left over to make a large cake for the builders, whom they have enjoyed interviewing this half term for the building blog. Pictured - Izzy from Indigo Class.



### Lilac Class – Christmas Decorations

Pupils in Lilac class have been busy making super decorations for a local company ‘Doubleday’ to add to their Christmas tree. The class were very excited to receive a chocolate tractor lolly and thank you letter.

### Building Blog – Week 3

This week’s work has been focussed on drainage excavation in the paddock area. The diggers have been working hard all week but the work has moved from the paddock back into the old staff car park and the archaeologists are back on site ensuring we don’t miss any significant Roman finds. The students enjoyed meeting with Wayne and Val this week, presenting them with a homemade Christmas cake. Wayne and Val gave students and staff in Indigo some chocolates to thank them for their building blog write ups. The students asked some great questions this week such as – What happens to all the dirt they dig up? Wayne said there have been over sixty lorry loads removed since building work started! He also mentioned there would be a big crane on site after Christmas, which we are very excited about. Izzy Year 13 asked Wayne for a job! The builders promised there would be more projects the students could get involved with in the new year and Indigo will continue to keep you all informed in our weekly building blog.

### Online safety over Christmas

Over the Christmas period it would be a good time to check your parental control/security on all electronic devices and any new ones Santa brings. We have included a website that supports parents in checking and maintaining their parental controls. <https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>

### AJM Healthcare – Wheelchair Clinic – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January

If you would like a wheelchair appointment for your child please e-mail [reception@willoughbyschool.com](mailto:reception@willoughbyschool.com) Please detail the nature of your request to enable us to inform the wheelchair technician. The wheelchair clinic is taking place in school on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January. Appointment slots are limited and tend to get booked quickly.



### Lego Donation

On Thursday Sam from R.J. Scholes Funeral Service, Bourne donated a Lego set for the Willoughby Lego Club. Pictured Ryan from Red Class receiving the kind donation.



**Diary Dates** - Please make a note of the following school dates.

Date	Event
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch - Pupils and staff are invited to wear their festive jumpers.
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term.
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Start of Spring Term 1.

**Star of the Week** - Congratulations to the following pupils who have been awarded Star of the Week.

<b>Pupil</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Sophie Edward	<b>Purple</b>	For trying really hard to do things by herself.  For great interaction and eye contact in communication session with adults.
Elio	<b>Lilac</b>	For fantastic shape work and sorting the triangle and circle confidently on the interactive white board.
Esmae	<b>Orange</b>	Esmae has been happy in school and interacted really well with the adults in class.
Ajay	<b>Amber</b>	For decorating the class Christmas tree with enthusiasm and care.
Aiden	<b>Gold</b>	For trying really hard with all his work this week.
Finley Honey-Bea	<b>Yellow</b>	For his excellent maths work.  For beginning to ask for help when she needs it.
Amie	<b>Aqua</b>	For brilliant recall during PSHE about growing up.
Connor	<b>Turquoise</b>	For his interaction with adults when making his Christmas bow from space material.
Leon	<b>Jade</b>	For being kind and helpful to his friends during formal lesson time and on the playground.
Leah	<b>Red</b>	For her excellent work sounding out her words of the week.
Jakub	<b>Blue</b>	For walking so well to and from the park.
Katie	<b>Indigo</b>	Welcoming and greeting people without being prompted and for catching the volleyball during PE.