

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year and welcome back to all pupils and staff at Willoughby. We are looking forward to starting Spring Term 2020. We have 98 pupils on roll, with a team of 57 teaching staff and 9 support staff over 11 classes.

We would like to welcome the following staff members we have recently joined.

- Poppy Dalton – Lilac Class
- Karis Russell – Works in Upper and Lower School
- Catlin McNulty – Turquoise Class
- Bernadette Jackson-Parish – Purple Class
- Joseph Harrington – Yellow Class

Pastoral Manager – Evelyn Cox

We are pleased to announce our new Pastoral Manager - Evelyn Cox. Evelyn first worked at Willoughby as a student when completing Early Years Care and Education qualification. After this Evelyn worked at a nursery in Stamford and a local school before returning to Willoughby and working for the past 4 years as a Teaching Assistant based in Upper School. Evelyn has loved her time here but felt ready for a new personal challenge which she is confident this new role will provide. Evelyn looks forward to meeting more families and students along the way and is excited to develop the role as Pastoral Manager.



Lincolnshire County Council Planning Permission - granted

On 8th January LCC granted planning permission for the expansion of Willoughby. We are pleased to share this exciting news with parents/carers and staff members. Initial site work is due to commence during spring. We will keep you informed of the construction as it progresses throughout the academic year.



Reception area re-design

During the Christmas break work was undertaken to re-design the Reception area. We will soon have a glass hatch window, allowing visitors to sign in and ID checks to be made before entering the school premises.



For parents/carers of children with disabilities/additional needs, this is the event for you. The next LPCF Signposting and Information event is being held on:

Date: Friday 31st January at 10.30am – 2.30pm.

Venue: Hubberts Bridge Community Centre, Langrick Road, Boston, PE20 3SG.

NB: This event is not schedule to return to Boston until mid 2021, if you are local please try to attend.

Emergency Closure Details Procedure

With cold weather on its way, please read the below procedure information, if the school closes in the event of heavy snow or an emergency. If weather conditions prevent the school from opening the decision would be made by approximately 7:30am. The decision to close the school would be publicised in the following ways:

- The school website homepage
- The school Twitter page
- TXT Round message (please ensure that the school has an up-to-date contact mobile phone number)
- The Lincolnshire County Council website www.lincolnshire.gov.uk

It is unlikely that the school telephone will be answered, so please firstly check the above communication routes for news. The school will also inform all transport operators. We are unable to ring every parent, but the TXT Round service is in place. The only consideration with TXT round is that when mobile networks get busy, the time taken to deliver the message can be affected.

Were the school to close during the school day we will make contact with every parent/carer of children affected, to ensure that someone will be able to meet them from their transport or collect them from school. The news of the closure will also be published via the school website, Twitter and TXT Round. If you have any queries or questions in relation to potential school closures please contact the school.

Circus Star Event – Tuesday 21st January

We have received a number of free tickets from Circus Starr for their accessible show 'The Winter Circus' taking place at the Key Theatre, Embankment Road, Peterborough, PE1 1EF on **Tuesday 21st January 2020**. The show starts at 4.45pm, doors open 30 minutes before the show.



Circus Starr are starting 2020 with a magical winter extravaganza. This year's show is sure to entertain the whole family with talented circus inspired troupe. If you would like to attend, please contact Terri Collett with the number of tickets you require on 01778 425203 or e-mail to terricollett@willoughbyschool.com

Due to there being a limited number of tickets, they will be issued on a first come, first served basis and sent home with your child. Tickets are required for every family member that will be attending. Children aged 3 and under do not require a ticket.

Diary Dates

Please make a note of the forthcoming dates and events.

Date	Event
Friday 7 th February	NSPCC Number Day – Dress up for digits, pupils invited to wear an item of clothing with a number on for example football shirt, cap, netball shirt or a onesie!
Monday 10 th February	Zoolab – Caring for animals – Whole School Event
Friday 14th February	End of Term
Monday 24 th February	Start of Spring Term 2
Wednesday 4 th March	Parents evening
Friday 3 rd April	End of Term
Monday 20 th April	Start of Summer Term 1