

Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to all members of the Willoughby community. I hope that everyone had a restful and relaxing summer holiday. We start the new academic year with a total of 110 pupils, across 12 classes and over 70 members of staff! We have a total of 20 new pupils. A warm Willoughby welcome to all our new staff, pupils and their families.

New Staff Members

It is a pleasure to be teaching the wonderful children here at Willoughby. Following my degree in Education and Special Educational Needs, I have worked in mainstream environments in the UK and around the world. I have a passion for encompassing a fun and interactive learning environment that allows individuals to thrive. I am an animal lover and in my spare time I like to ride my horses and spend time with my kitten who is called Simba. I am based in Gold class, but look forward to meeting everybody throughout the school - Joanne Gold Class Teacher.



Hello, I'm Laura Pigott, the new teacher of Yellow class. My first two weeks at Willoughby have flown by due to receiving such a warm, friendly welcome from both staff and children. I can already tell it's going to be an amazing place to work. Over the summer I have moved back to Grantham after spending the past five years in Birmingham obtaining my degree and I am currently just finishing my Masters in Education with Special Educational Needs. I have moved to Willoughby after working in a Mainstream Primary School in Birmingham for the past few years, having predominantly been based in Year 3 but I can't wait to work with the various the age groups. During lockdown, other than looking after my little puppy, I have started running and since have decided to run the Virtual London Marathon in October for the RNIB. I look forward to getting to know your children over the academic year.

Medical Appointments

Please can parents/carers provide school with a copy of appointment letters, messages and emails to cover any time your son/daughter is missing school due to the appointment. You can use the school's attendance email address for this or send proof of the appointment into school with your child. attendance@willoughbyschool.com

Medication in School

Thank you all for your support of the new medication procedures from September. As you will be aware we are introducing a safer protocol for transporting medication to and from school. All pupil have been issued with a zip lock bag with their photo and class on. Can I please ask parents/carers to ensure they hand all medication to the bus crew, as and when needed, medication is then signed into school safely. If you are able or wish to leave the medication in school please let the class team know. If you have signed to give permission for school to administer paracetamol or Ibuprofen please can you send in a supply using this protocol with your son/daughter as school can no longer supply this for pupils.

Student Update Forms – Parents/Carers

Student update forms have been sent home with your child today. Please check the details, make any amendments/updates and sign the form. Please return the form for the attention of the School Office by **Friday 18th September**. It is essential for the school to hold up to date contact details for all our pupils, thank you.

Tik Tok Guide

Please find the attached to this email a guide to Tik Tok and keeping your child safe online.



NHS Annual Flu Vaccinations

A letter has been sent home today to all parents/carers via your child's bag. The same letter has also been sent via e-mail. Please read and follow the instructions detailed in the letter and complete the online consent form for your child. Please visit www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk and complete the online form by **Friday 18th September** to provide consent for your child to receive the flu vaccination. If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please also complete the consent form giving the reason. You will need to enter the following code to ensure the completed form can be correctly allocated to your child's school. The code for Willoughby Academy is: **EE120763**. Flu vaccinations will be administered by NHS nurses on Thursday 8th October.

Star of the week

Each week we celebrate achievement across the whole school through our **Star of the Week** certificates. A pupil from each class is nominated by their class team and we will be sharing this with you each week.



Pupil	Class	Reason
All Purple class pupils	Purple	All of Purple class are stars this week for beginning school so positively, with big smiles every day.
All Lilac class pupils	Lilac	They have settled in so well this week and joined in with all the different activities. We are very proud of them all.
All Orange class pupils	Orange	All Orange Class pupils have returned to school after lockdown and the summer holidays positively and ready to learn.
Lottie	Amber	For working extremely well with all of the new adults in Amber class. A superb week!
Scarlett	Gold	For her great attitude to her new class and sitting throughout lesson time.
Alex	Yellow	For settling into Yellow Class so well and making a brilliant effort with all of her work this week.
Finlay & James	Aqua	For settling into school so well and for completing excellent work during the week.
All Turquoise class pupils	Turquoise	All Turquoise pupils have had a fantastic week, returning to school with enthusiasm and an eagerness to learn?
Finley	Jade	Due to the maturity he has shown in settling into his new class, including participating in writing sessions independently.
Ryan	Red	For a superb transition into his new class. Ryan has worked wonderfully with his peers and class staff.
Olivia & Ariel	Blue	For making a good transition into Blue Class and working so well, including all of the activities in Forest School.
Izzy	Indigo	Very mature return to school. Also, for helping out without being asked.

Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum

LPCF are holding a virtual Zoom signposting and information day on Tuesday 22nd September. Visit www.lincspcf.org.uk events page for the invitation link and details of attendees then just click on the link and wait to enter the virtual waiting room.

Diary Dates

Please make a note of the following school dates;

Date	Event
Thursday 8 th October	Flu vaccinations for pupils and staff
Friday 23 rd October	End of Autumn Term 1
Monday 2 nd November	Start of Autumn Term 2