

Parents Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who were involved in parents evening on Tuesday after school. Your understanding and support of the last-minute change to telephone appointments was hugely appreciated. We would greatly appreciate your feedback in relation to Willoughby by completing the questionnaire via the link below. The results will give us valuable information in relation to how to continually improve and develop Willoughby.

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School Council

School Council members have been elected by their class peers. The following pupils will represent Lower School: Teddy M, Sophie, Alfie, Chloe, Teddy B, Roman and Alex. Upper School representatives will be Oscar K, Kayden B, Charlie D, Jay, Jessica, Kuba and Ben. Both School Councils met this week. The meeting agenda included what they should call the school council, what kind of playground toys and games classes might like. School Council members also discussed after-school clubs. Everyone brought the views of their class and shared their ideas. The meeting was very successful, we look forward to updating parents/carers on future meetings in which the elected members make a positive difference to the school.



Ideal School Meals – Order Deadline

Term 2 Ideal School Meals menus are available online for you to order your child's meals. Please note the deadline to order meals for week commencing 1st November is **Monday 25th October at midnight.**

British Nutrition Foundation Education Award

We are delighted to share the exciting news that Food & Nutrition Teacher Alison Cavanagh was nominated and won a British Nutrition Foundation Education Award. Congratulations Alison! The award is in recognition of Alison's outstanding work in lockdown at her previous school. Specifically, the online and face to face learning that Alison provided, in addition to cooking the school meals! Alison will receive a framed commemorative certificate in addition to £200 to support food education at Willoughby Academy. Alison has been invited to receive her award in person at the British Nutrition Foundation located in London. Many congratulations to Alison for winning this prestigious award.

Protea – Science Experiment

As a part of our science lesson, we made animal shelters from recycled materials. Pupils poured water over the top of the shelters to test if they were waterproof or not! James' shelter performed the best during water testing, he used an empty milk carton.



Halloween Party – Buttercup Class

Buttercup pupils had a fantastic Halloween party day on Thursday, pupils and staff dressed up in scary costumes and had a spooky disco. We played pumpkin bowling and enjoyed special party food for our snack time.



Tulip Class Update

Tulip Class is the newest class in Willoughby Academy with all, bar one pupil, being new to Willoughby, Tulip have really made an impact. We have risen to a range of challenges to progress with our learning, making new friends, showing our creative and organisational skills and putting on performances, of our repertoire of songs, for other classes and visitors to our class room. We are already discussing our new theme for next term, Footsteps Through Time focussing on WW1. Well done Tulip Class you are stars!



Diary Dates - Please make a note of the following academy dates

Date	Event
Monday 1 st November	Star of Autumn Term 2
Thursday 18 th November	Covid-19 vaccination date for pupils aged between 12 – 15 year olds. NHS vaccination letter e-mailed to parent/carers.
Monday 22nd November	Staff Training Day – Academy closed to pupils
Tuesday 14 th December	Surprise Santa visit to Willoughby Academy
Tuesday 14 th December	Ideal School Meals – Christmas Lunch
Friday 17 th December	End of Term

Tempest Photography - Order Deadline

Reminder to all parents/carer - to benefit from free postage and packaging when ordering your child's school photographs please complete your Tempest Photography on-line order by **Sunday 24th October** at midnight, these orders will be sent to Willoughby Academy and distributed home. From Monday 25th October all orders will incur a £5 postage and packaging charge and will be sent directly to your home address.

Lateral Flow Test Kits

We have sent all secondary aged pupils' home with lateral flow test kits. Where possible please ensure that these tests are undertaken before pupils return to school after half term. If a positive result is returned, please follow the NHS guidance, which is to arrange a PCR test stay at home and until the results are received.

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

Pupil	Class	Reason
Elio	Water Lily	For his maths activity and for completing a puzzle independently.
Lexi	Sunflower	For fantastic exploring during science.
Sidney	Poppy	For amazing effort and independence in his maths work.
Daisy-May	Buttercup	For engaging brilliantly in learning activities.
Joe	Daffodil	For using really good adjectives in literacy.
Ryan	Foxglove	For sequencing his numbers to 50 independently.
Fred	Blue Thistle	For participating well especially in drama and cooking.
Robbie	Tiger Lily	For excellent communication with staff members.
Honey-Bea	Venus Flytrap	For trying to climb up the playground equipment independently.
Madi	Tulip	For being the 'Star Baker in Food' and trying really hard.
Ryan	Protea	For his hard work, especially in Food and Nutrition.
Charlie D	Snapdragon	For demonstrating a good understanding of consent.
Imogen	Bluebell	For her reactions to her news switch and her ICT work.
Jay B	Jasmine	For using his big voice in communication sessions.