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Willoughby Weekly

Friday 30th September 2022

Parents Evening

A letter was sent home earlier this week with details of the parents evenings being held this term. We ask that all parents/carers make an appointment to discuss your child's progress so far this academic year. If you require any further details or information please refer to the letter sent on Wednesday. Alternatively please contact Susan Burns via email: sburns@prioryacademies.co.uk

Forest School Update

We have had a busy but lovely start back to Forest School this year. We have moved back into the paddock which means we have more of a wooded area that enhances our lessons. Each class has continued to develop tool use and have fire snacks. We have explored and used seasonal natural materials and made some great things. We have also told stories and completed activities to foster teamwork.

Buttercup Class

Some of our youngest pupils in Buttercup have made an amazing start to their Willoughby journey. In just 4 weeks they have settled into the routine of coming to school, engaging in activities with new adults and playing with new friends. We are so proud of everything they have achieved so far.



Therapy Equipment

Bluebell class would like to say 'Thank You' to Imogen's Mum, Gemma, for donating therapy equipment to the school.

Bourne Woods

Sunflower class are really enjoying their weekly visits to Bourne Woods. During their walks pupils look for signs of the changing season, collecting acorns, leaves, pine needles and cones. Their trip is completed by sitting under the tree canopy and enjoying a snack.

Read Write Inc

This year, as you may know, we have adopted the Read Write Inc, Phonics program to support our pupils' reading development. Thank you for all the positive feedback we have received so far. Kelly Wilson, our English and RWI leader is putting weekly updates on Tapestry to give all parents/carers information about the program and ways to support your child at home. Although not every child will be following the program we wanted all of our Willoughby family to be kept informed of the new initiative. Class teachers will let parents/carers know which children are following the program and what adaptations may be necessary. Please contact class teachers directly for any questions that are specific to your child's learning.



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Food Technician Work Experience – update from Alison Cavanagh

This term we have another pupil doing work experience in the Food Room. Ben and James completed their work experience last year and now we have Thomas. Thomas organises the colour coded drawers and cupboards, empties and starts the tumble dryer and washing machine, checks temperatures of the fridge and freezer and does stock rotation by checking dates. These are all very important life-skills as well as preparation for the world of work. I have been so impressed by his enthusiastic work ethic, well done Thomas!



Protea and Snapdragon Classes

Last Friday pupils from Protea and Snapdragon came into school to find both classrooms destroyed by Gremlins! Both classes worked together to recreate maps of Bourne, designed 'Wanted' posters to display around the school and then worked as a team to clear up the mess.



Food Smart Award

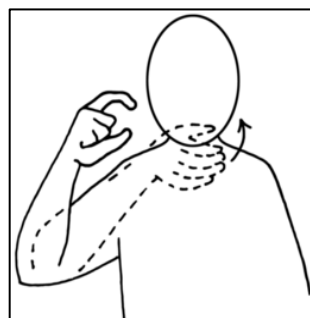


The Food Smart Accreditation is a stand-alone award which recognises school's achievements in ensuring their students are able to learn about food and nutrition and eat healthily. We are delighted to share the good news that Willoughby Academy have been awarded Silver Food Smart Award. Many congratulations to Alison Cavanagh, Food and Nutrition Teacher for submitting the evidence. Special thanks to Ideal School Meals for working closely with Alison and thank you to Bridgette and Teresa in the Catering Team. We are the first school in the region to be awarded the Silver Food Smart award.

Makaton Sign of the Week

26th September – 2nd October 2022

This week's sign is Coffee



Star of the Week

Pupil	Class	Reason
Archer	Daisy	For excellent working set 3 sounds in phonics.
Teddie-Rex	Water Lily	For holding the door open for his friends.
Lexi	Sunflower	For independently exchanging a symbol for an activity.
Evie	Poppy	For sitting with the group for learning time.
Saayon	Buttercup	For fantastic engagement in action songs.
Lewi	Daffodil	For amazing writing in communication and language.
Breanna	Foxglove	For listening and following instructions from staff.
Scott	Leopard Lily	For brilliant independent walking.
Alexander	Tiger Lily	For following instructions from adults and for being star baker.
Shihan	Venus Flytrap	For trying really hard with his learning this week.
James	Protea	For amazing literacy work and bushcraft day this week.
Holly	Snapdragon	For positive behaviour, all week and kindness towards peers.
Ollie	Bluebell	For good interactions with other peers.
Dylan	Jasmine	For manipulating objects using both of his hands.
Tallulah	Cherry Blossom	For work throughout the week.

Diary Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 4 th October	Pupil and staff School Photos – Tempest Photography.
Thursday 6 th October and Tuesday 11 th October	Parents Evening.
Friday 14 th October	NHS Flu vaccination for pupils and staff.
Friday 21 st October	End of term.
Monday 24 th October – Friday 28 th October	Half Term.
Monday 31 st October	Autumn Term 2.

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