



WILLOUGHBY
A PRIORY ACADEMY

Willoughby Weekly

Friday 25th November 2022

Beginning and end of school day arrangements

As I am sure you will all agree, the safety of our pupils is our highest priority. With the number of pupils attending Willoughby growing, so does the amount of traffic in and out of the school. This is particularly evident at the beginning and end of the school day. We try hard to ensure that pupil arrival and departure is as safe as possible. Transport is always supervised by a member of staff and the main gates are closed before pupils can enter or exit their transport. The main gates are only opened for transport to leave when it is safe to do so.

For those pupils being collected and dropped off by parents please ensure you always use the pedestrian gate - a member of staff will be there to let you in and out. Please could we ask parents who collect their child from school not to stand directly in front of the main entrance doors whilst waiting for your child as this can cause a little difficulty in getting our younger pupils on to transport. Please be assured that staff will bring your child to you as quickly as possible. We would also respectfully request that disabled spaces in the front carpark are left for parents who have children in wheelchairs. I am sure everyone can appreciate the need for the additional space to safely load and unload wheelchairs. Thank you for your help and support in this matter.

Christmas News

In Performing Arts, we are very busy preparing for our Christmas shows. Please refer to the diary dates for performance dates and times. Thank you to those of you who have already booked to see performances, if you would like to attend and have not yet booked please e-mail willoughbyenquiries@prioryacademies.co.uk to reserve your two seats. Please note, tickets are not being issued for this event and there is no charge. Please check Tapestry to see what your child will need for the show.

Our Christmas post box is now in Reception. If your child would like they can post their Christmas cards to their friends here and they will be delivered to the classrooms.

Children in Need Update

Thank you for the additional donations received this week, the total amount raised for Children in Need is now £188.83.



Amazon Smile

Do you want to experience feel-good shopping in the run up to Christmas and support Willoughby? If you shop on Amazon there is a quick and easy way to do this. Simply shop at smile.amazon.co.uk and they will donate to Willoughby at no extra cost to you. You will see the same products, same prices, same service but Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible



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purchases. For Willoughby to benefit from this, all you have to do is register and select 'The Willoughby Foundation' then start shopping. Please click on the link for further information and to register. <https://smile.amazon.co.uk>
Please encourage friends and family members to also use Amazon smile on behalf of Willoughby

Foxglove Class

Foxglove class have been learning about poems, riddles, and rhyming words. Some of the students have made their own riddles and we have put them up outside our classroom for other students to see if they can guess the animals.



Buttercup Class



Buttercup have really enjoyed our Rumble in the Jungle topic this term. We have learnt about camouflage by dressing up in the 4D room and have talked about the texture and pattern of animal's skin in art. We screwed up paper to make elephant's wrinkly skin, printed with sponges to create giraffe's splodge patterns, painted and printed with bubble wrap to create snake's bumpy scales. We have used our amazing art to create a wonderful classroom jungle display.



Parent/Carers Information – Christmas

Please refer to the attached Sensory Integration Education Christmas Sensory Survival Kit. This document provides advice from individuals and expert organisations to manage the sensory challenges over the festive season. For sensory gift ideas, please view this link [Sensory Gift Guide for All Ages \(sensoryintegrationeducation.com\)](https://sensoryintegrationeducation.com)

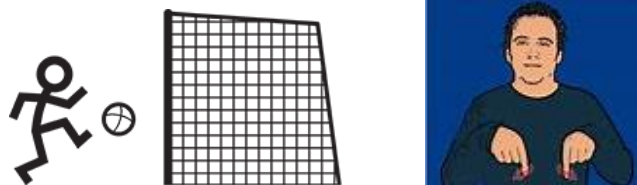
AJM Wheelchair Clinic

On Monday 12th December AJM Healthcare are holding an in-school wheelchair clinic. If you would like to book an appointment, please e-mail willoughbyenquiries@prioryacademies.co.uk, stating your child's name and nature of the appointment.

Oral Health Coffee Morning – Friday 24th February (10am – 11am)

Jenny from the Community Dental Services Oral Health team will be at Willoughby on Friday 24th February 2023 to hold a coffee morning session and talk everything teeth. She will be on hand to discuss any challenges you may be facing with looking after your child's teeth, she will show you some resources that may help and also share some useful hints and tips. For more about the service and the team please visit www.communitydentalservices.co.uk. To book onto the coffee morning please email willoughbyenquiries@prioryacademies.co.uk

Makaton Sign of the Week 21st – 27th November
This Week's sign is Football



Star of the Week

Pupil	Class	Reason
Madison	Daisy	For fantastic number work in maths.
Teddie	Water Lily	For helping the public at the park by holding the gate open.
Teddy	Sunflower	For trying really hard in yoga bugs.
Daisy-May	Poppy	For responding to 'ready steady go' when interacting.
Lenny and Eva	Buttercup	Lenny for being helpful and kind to his friends. Eva for beginning to engage in adult led activities.
Aiden	Daffodil	For engaging in play with peers.
Breanna	Foxglove	For vocalising during lessons.
Stephen	Leopard Lily	For excellent progress in his use of PECS this week.
Robbie and Katie	Tiger Lily	For having amazing WOW moments all week!
Tommy	Venus Flytrap	For good maths as well as beginning to manage his emotions better.
Kayden C	Protea	For excellent teamwork, being helpful and caring to others.
Holly	Snapdragon	For an excellent attitude towards her learning this week.
Athena	Bluebell	For independently sitting in a chair, at a table for 'hello' and snack time.
Deimante	Jasmine	For being a super star and using her big voice in our communication session.
Alfie	Cherry Blossom	For verbal rote counting to 10 both in school and at home.

Diary Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 6 th December	Upper School Christmas Performance 1.30pm – 2.30pm Classes: Venus Flytrap, Foxglove, Tiger Lily, Leopard Lily, Protea, Snapdragon and Jasmine.
Thursday 8 th December	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day £1 donation (pupils and staff).
Thursday 8 th December	Ideal School Meals – Christmas lunch.
Friday 9 th December	Lower School Christmas Nativity 9.30am – 10.15am Classes: Buttercup, Poppy, Sunflower, Water Lily, Daisy, Daffodil, Cherry Blossom, and Bluebell.
Friday 9 th December	Coffee Morning for parents/carers – Sleep Talker 10.15am – 11.15am.
Monday 12 th December	AJM Wheelchair Clinic at Willoughby Academy.
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Jumper Day for pupils and staff – no charge.
Friday 16 th December	End of Autumn Term 2.
Christmas Holidays	Monday 19 th December – Tuesday 3 rd January.
Tuesday 3 rd January	Staff Training Day.
Wednesday 4 th January	Start of Term.

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