



WILLOUGHBY
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Willoughby Weekly

Friday 21st April 2023

Summer Term 1

Welcome back to the Summer Term, we hope you all had a wonderful Easter holiday and managed to enjoy time with friends and family as well as enjoying some Easter treats! It was lovely to see the sun shining on Monday and pupils returning happily to school. Class teachers have planned some exciting activities for this term and these will be shared with parents via the class termly newsletter which will be with you shortly and followed up via the Willoughby Weekly Newsletter. Please keep a particularly careful eye on the diary dates as there will be a number of opportunities in which we will be welcoming parents into school.

Introducing Laura Mills – Deputy Headteacher



Hi, I am Laura Mills and I am delighted to be the new Deputy Headteacher at Willoughby Academy. I am family first in my thinking and I love being a mum of four children. I try to make some time for me and run weekly as well as work closely with Bishop Grosseteste University on SEND research.

My whole teaching career has been linked to developing SEND practice. I started at Meadowgate Special School as an NQT in 2005. I was fortunate to work in every Key Stage and taught a broad range of pupils with varying needs. My Middle Leadership responsibility was a whole school focus on communication. As part of my role I became an Elklan Tutor so I could deliver accredited courses to our staff. After 13 years I progressed to becoming a Senior

Specialist Teacher so I could transfer my skills. I still remained connected to Meadowgate Academy as a Trustee. Whilst working for the Cambridgeshire Local Authority I became a SEND Reviewer supporting all different education settings across Fenland and East Cambridgeshire. I qualified as a trainer for the Autism Education Trust and Therapeutic Thinking approach to behaviour.

After lockdown I wanted to return into a school setting. I joined the senior leadership team at a primary school that required rapid improvement, leading on behaviour and inclusion. I implemented a whole school nurture approach. I am excited to start a new chapter of my career at Willoughby Academy and am looking forward to meeting everyone who makes up the Willoughby family.

New Uniform Supplier – Shotbowl

We are pleased to announce a new uniform supplier for Willoughby Academy. We are now working in partnership with Shotbowl who are based in Market Deeping. Please see the attached Welcome Letter from Shotbowl providing details of their website and ways Shotbowl staff are able to help you both in store and online.

To order uniform for your child please visit Willoughby Academy website, click on the Parent/Carer tab and click on the Uniform tab, there is a link which takes you directly to Shotbowl website or visit www.shotbowl.com/school-uniform/School_Uniform_Shop/Willoughby_Academy

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Any uniform related queries will be dealt directly with Shotbowl:
Telephone: 01778 34877
Email: shop@shotbowl.com and website: www.shotbowl.com

Work Experience

Gabriella has been working as a school window cleaner using different tools and equipment to ensure our windows are sparkling clean. This is Gabriella's first work experience placement and she has shown enthusiasm and teamwork skills.

The King's Coronation

Willoughby will be celebrating the King's Coronation on Friday 5th May by holding an afternoon tea party with cakes made in class food lessons. Plans are currently well underway and class teams will keep you informed of the final plans as we get nearer the day.



AJM Wheelchair Clinic

The next wheelchair clinic is taking place in school on **Tuesday 23rd May**. If you would like to book an appointment, please e-mail willoughbyenquiries@prioryacademies.co.uk detailing your child's name and reason for the appointment.

Food Technology Update – Alison

Tiger Lily have made a super start to their Summer 1 Food and Nutrition lessons by making some delicious Roman Honey biscuits. They tried so hard with their independent skills and concentrated when making the biscuits all the same size. Well done to Leah and Ben for making a consistent batch of biscuits and for safely using the oven independently. All pupils used the electric whisks very carefully and during the term we will be using more equipment and technology to make the dishes. Well done to all!



Grantham College Open Evening

Grantham College have an open evening taking place on **Tuesday 25th April between 5pm – 7pm**. You are invited to meet with expert tutors, meet our friendly staff and students. The open events is a great opportunity to see what it is like to study at Grantham College & University Centre. Open days are very busy, to ensure numbers are managed on site, please pre-register yourself and any guests. You will be able to network with support staff and learn more about the services dedicated to supporting students during their time at Grantham College & University Centre. There will be campus tours available to view the state-of-the-art facilities. Here you will also be able to visit subject areas you are interested in, view the learning spaces and talk to expert tutors.

Click the link below to sign up via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/april-open-event-2023-tickets-545992186327?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=escb>

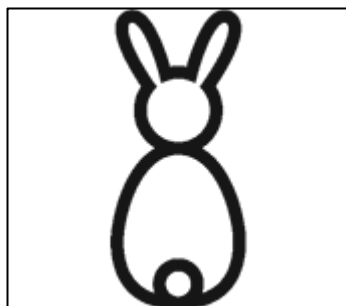
Buttercup Class

Buttercup class returned after the Easter break to find that a pirate ship had sailed into the classroom, along with a chest of treasure and a parrot! Already we have enjoyed painting the ship, starting this terms story book; Ten Little Pirates and digging for treasure.



Makaton Sign of the Week

This week's sign is...Rabbit



Whole School Attendance

The whole school attendance figure for week commencing 17th April is 93%.

Star of the Week

Pupil	Class	Reason
Jaxson	Daisy	For amazing attitude and work during Forest School.
Louis	Water Lily	For a great first week at Willoughby and joining in with activities with Waterlily Class.
Zach	Sunflower	For engaging in all lessons and amazing walking.
Oliver	Poppy	For having a really good week settling back into school, all round amazing.
Jake and Sebastiaan	Buttercup	For fantastic listening and following instructions at Forest School.
Alfie W	Daffodil	For listening well to instructions all week.
Tallulah	Foxglove	For fantastic enthusiasm during the bucket activity.
Scott	Leopard Lily	For brilliant work in the impromptu curling lesson.
Leah	Tiger Lily	For independent use of the oven and really good use of her communication device.
Freddie	Venus Flytrap	For having a great return to school after Easter.
Amelia	Protea	For really good settling in and being mature all week.
Whole class	Snapdragon	For having an amazing first week with the new teacher, brilliant transition and positive attitude to change.
Archie	Bluebell	For reaching out and independently exploring.
Dylan	Jasmine	Super interactions during our Forest School session.

100% Weekly Attendance Celebration

From this term we will be celebrating those pupils who manage to achieve a 100% attendance each week. We have decided to do this weekly as we are very aware that a number of pupils have a lot of appointments which can impact on their termly attendance.



Congratulations to the following pupils for achieving 100% attendance this week



Class	Pupil
Daisy	Rosie, Sophie, Sidney, Noah and Archer.
Water Lily	William, Edward, Teddie-Rex, Max, Louis, Elio and Ajay.
Sunflower	Noah, Joseph, Riley, Zachary and Lexi.
Poppy	Evie, Jude, Daisy-May, Teddy and Oliver.
Buttercup	Eva, Lenny, Athena, Jake, Saayon, Georgia, Henry and Sebastiaan.
Daffodil	Joe, Lewi, Reggie, Eva, Matthew, Alfie, Leah, Hayden and Alfie.
Foxglove	William, Savannah, Tallulah, Brenna, Matthew, Oscar, Eva, Ariel and Jon-Pall.
Leopard Lily	Myles, Freddie. Stephen, Scott and Jakub.
Tiger Lily	Leah, Kelsey, Noah, Finley, Samuel, Katie and Ben.
Venus Flytrap	Shihan, Freddie, Ash, Roman, Iona, Noah, Jack, Honey-Bea, Vinnie, Alexandra, Lexi and Tommy.
Protea	Thomas, Charlie, Harvey, Sky, Zhi Chen, James, Ryan, Amelia, Luke and Jessica.
Snapdragon	Anit, Imogen, Holly, Lucas, Jacob, Finlay, Thomas, Jan, Diontie, Madeline, Liam, Kyle, Eleanor, Finlay and Amie.
Bluebell	Oliver, Imogen, Esmae, Charlotte, Ollie and Archie.
Jasmine	Dylan, Sabine, Daniel, Abi and Matthew.

Please can we remind all parents that holiday requests during term time will not be authorised.

Diary Dates

Date	Event
Monday 1 st May	School closed – Bank Holiday.
Thursday 4 th May	Armed Forces Day – further information to follow.
Friday 5 th May	King's Coronation celebration.
Monday 8 th May	School closed – Bank Holiday.
Tuesday 23 rd May	AJM Healthcare Wheelchair Clinic.
Friday 26 th May	End of Term.
Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June	Half Term.
Monday 5 th June	Start of Term.
Wednesday 28 th June	Summer Production (morning session) details to follow.
Thursday 29 th June	Summer Production (morning session) details to follow.
Wednesday 19 th July	End of Term.

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