

**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 101 pupils, across 11 classes and over 70 members of staff! We have a total of 18 new pupils. A warm Willoughby welcome to all our new pupils and their families.

**New Play Equipment**

New play equipment has been installed in the Lower School playground, a bespoke wooden climbing structure and slide. Pupils are enjoying exploring the new play equipment and having fun together. The new playground equipment was purchased using a grant through Cummins Worldwide. We would like to thank everyone involved who made this possible.



**Willoughby Re-development Plans**

Attached is a letter from Lincolnshire County Council detailing investment school provision and support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. As part of this investment package, Willoughby will be subject to significant re-development, including the building of a new block and extensive work to the external space. Parents/Carers are invited to a community engagement event this is taking place next **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September**. You are invited to drop into school anytime from 3.30pm – 5.30pm. Representatives from Willoughby, Lincolnshire County Council and Willmott Dixon contractors will be available to answer questions.

**Medical Information and Consent Form – Please return on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

A blue medical form was sent home to all parents/carers during the last week of the summer term. Thank you to everyone who has returned their signed form so far. If you have not done so, please complete the form and send into school by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September. It's imperative that we have the most up to date medical details for each pupil. If you have misplaced the form please contact the school on 01778 425203 and we will send a new form home with your child.

**Diary Dates**

Please make a note of the forthcoming diary dates below;

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>
New Build engagement event	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September – 15:30 – 17:30
Parents/Carers Evening	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October – 15:15 – 18:00
Flu Vaccinations for pupils and staff	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October – All Day
Pupil Photographs	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October – All Day



**Family Disco Event**

A family Disco night will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September – 7pm at the Urban Hotel in Grantham. Tickets cost £5 per person, please contact Reception to purchase your tickets. There will be a Disney Princess and Spiderman entertaining the children from 7pm – 8pm, a cake stall and sweet table along with a raffle on the night. Funds raised will be divided between the Willoughby Academy mini bus fund and the Grantham Disabled Children's Society.

**Labelling Clothing and Personal Items**

Pupils look very smart in their Willoughby Uniforms. Please can we remind parents/carers to clearly label all school uniforms, bags, packed lunch boxes and coats etc. Thank you.