

William Law CE Primary School



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School Newsletter – 19th July 2019

Up-coming Events



Diary Dates

The parent calendar for 2019-20 is attached for your information along with a wallet sized term date card. A copy of the parent calendar is available to download on the school website and the terms dates for 2019/20 and 2020/21 are available under the Parents Page. Any additions to the calendar during the school year will be notified via a newsletter and will be added to the document on the website.

Car Park Barrier



For the last three years the Governors have been trying to get a car park barrier at the front of school to keep the children safe. This will be installed at the beginning of September ready for the new school year. The barrier will be just off the turning into school, before the roundabout.

The barrier will come down at 8.30am and no parents/carers will be able to park in the school car park or drop off round the roundabout. Drivers with a blue badge will buzz through to the school office who will have the necessary names and vehicle registration numbers so will buzz you in. Out of school club drop off must be before 8.30am.

If you are picking up your child who is unwell during the school day, you can buzz and pick up from the roundabout.

The barrier will stay down until 4.30pm. If you are picking up from clubs you will need to park elsewhere and walk into school. You will not be able to pick up from the roundabout.

If you are doing the late dance club pick up you will be able to drive into the car park. Please drive slowly and park carefully. If there is a risk to children Governors will have no option but to close the barrier. Governors have raised concerns as to how parents are parking at club pick up time.

Thank you to all the Teaching Assistants that have manned the roundabout every morning and evening. They have been sworn at and treated disrespectfully by some parents. They will now be in class getting ready for the teaching day and working with children.

The barrier will be connected to the fire alarm and will automatically lift when the alarm goes off.

Church will have their own buzzer.

Year 6 Leavers Service

A reminder that the Year 6 Leavers Service is taking place on Wednesday, 24th July 2019 at 2.00pm.



This is an opportunity to come and celebrate all that the Year 6 pupils have achieved during their time here at William Law CE Primary School and parents and carers are invited to attend. Please come to the school office for 1.45pm.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Coloured T-Shirts

Coloured T-shirts in the house colours are available from Chroma Sports at Wulfric Square in Bretton.

If Year 6 have coloured T-shirts they no longer want, please can you kindly donate them to school.

Snacks in September



Playtime snacks, despite stating healthy good, are often not so healthy. Children are eating their lunch at breaktimes.

Snacks now will be fruit or vegetable only. No sandwiches, no cereal bars, no fruit winders or fruit bars.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 get provided with a piece of fruit and any fruit that is left over will be taken up to the Year 3-6 playground.

Please help us to enforce fruit and vegetables only.

Congratulations

Many congratulations to
Head Boy – Lewis Tarver
Head Girl – Charlotte Shirtcliffe
The children who wanted to go for these positions wrote manifestos which were shortlisted by a panel of Governors. The children and staff all voted using a ballot box.
Many congratulations to the new House Captains:-

Wisdom - Alicja Nowakowska and Tovi Serino-Jordan

Trust - Arthur Watt and Charlotte Muamba

Persistence - Marcus Cham and Charlotte Yexley

Hope - Zaynab Ibqal Mirza and Harvey Dunnett

The House Captains had to deliver a speech to the Teachers and they then voted. Well done to all the children who put themselves forward.

Congratulations to Wisdom who were the overall house winners for the school year, having collected the most counters.

Late Procedure

On the rare occasion that you may be running late, we kindly ask that you do not allow your child to come to the office to sign in on their own unless they are Year 5 or 6. Young children should not be allowed to come into school unaccompanied. Please ensure you escort them to the office and take responsibility for signing them in.



Year 1 Wedding Day



A big **thank you** to Tesco who provided the wedding cake and to Co-Op for providing the "Champagne" (Apple juice and lemonade) for our Year 1 Wedding Day.

The morning was a great success and the children enjoyed themselves.

Water Bottles



This is a reminder that you can purchase a water bottle from the school office at a cost of £1.10.

Cashless School

Following on from the letter issued on 8th July, this is a reminder that from 4th September 2019, William Law Primary School will become a cashless school. We will therefore no longer be accepting cash as payment for school dinners or any other activity/trip. All payments are required through ParentPay. If you already have a ParentPay account, you do not need to take any further action. If you do not have an activated ParentPay account, you will have received an activation letter. Please activate your account and start making payments via ParentPay as soon as possible.

Aspirations Day – Year 6



On 25th June 2019 parents and local businesses were invited into school to speak to the Year 6 children about their jobs/roles. This gave the children an idea about what type of work may be available to them when they finished school and inspired them to do their best in their exams throughout secondary school to help them achieve their goals. The day was well represented with a varying job range from Florist to Virtual Reality Artist. We would like to **thank everyone** who attended on the day and made it so enjoyable and interesting for the children.

Well-Being Award



We are proud to announce that this term William Law has been awarded with the 'Well-being Award for Schools' award. As a school we have always believed in the children's well-being and mental health being paramount in allowing them to learn and achieve the best they possibly can. With the way of the world changing at the rate that it is, and children's mental health issues being at an all time high, it is even more important to remember this at this time. The award was earned by collating evidence to showcase all the amazing things that happen here to support not only children, but families and staff alike. **Thank you** to all of those who were involved, not only in the validation day, but also in all the preparation leading up to it. Below is a link to the report.

<https://www.williamlawceschool.co.uk/Wellbeing>

Uniform

Please over the summer can you name and label all school uniform. In the lost property at the end of this year we have had 40 sweatshirts or cardigans all without names! Please name all PE kit too.

Sport's Day

The two Sport's Days were a great success. Thank you for coming and making it special for the children.

Thank you to Tesco who provided a bottle of water for every child and bananas. They were very much appreciated.

William Law Prayer Group

The Prayer Group meets every other Wednesday at the front of school at 8.55am. Prayer starts at 9.00am and finishes at 9.30am.

The Autumn Term Dates are:-

- 18th September 2019
- 2nd October 2019
- 16th October 2019
- 30th October 2019
- 13th November 2019
- 27th November 2019
- 11th December 2019

Please visit <http://www.prayforschools.org>

Everyone is welcome. Please come and pray for our school, staff and pupils.



Languages Celebration Day

On the 1st July the whole school celebrated the wide variety of languages we have at William Law. As well as sharing languages from home, children were engaged in a whole day of creative and fun activities such as producing works of art, food tasting, exploring music, singing and greeting others using another language. Here are some of the highlights from this special day. EYFS learnt to count in Spanish and Dutch with the help of visitors.



Year 1 made Polish open sandwiches and tasted Dutch Hagelslag.



In year 2 the children enjoyed a delicious French breakfast.



Year 3 learnt to speak some Spanish. The children enjoyed a fun Spanish lesson with our parent volunteer then played some games planned and introduced by Year 9 students from the Queen Katharine Academy.



In year 4 the children created some amazing Polish art work and tasted some traditional Polish food. There were mixed reactions to the sauerkraut!



It was time to cool off in the hot weather for Year 5 who learnt how to order gelato with the help of some of our Italian-speaking children.

Year 6s explored code breaking using the Greek alphabet, created artwork based on Greek landscapes and tasted traditional Greek food with a visitor.



Thank you to all the volunteers who came in to help on Languages Celebration Day.

May I take this opportunity to wish all our Year 6 pupils every success as they move onto the next phase in their schooling starting secondary school in September. It has been a pleasure to get to know each and every one of you.

We look forward to welcoming back Year 1 to Year 6 children on Wednesday 4th September 2019 and our new Reception cohort who join us on Wednesday, 11th September 2019.

Wishing you and your families a safe and healthy summer holiday. Enjoy your time together.

**Mrs T Cunningham
Headteacher**