

William Law CE Primary School



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School Newsletter – March 2020

Up-coming Events



Diary Dates

- 26th March 2020 – Year 6 Twinlakes
- 1st May 2020 – Dragonflies Class Assembly
- 1st June 2020 – Class 21 - Come Dine with Me
- Year 6 – Safety Challenge Day at Dogsthorpe Fire Station
- 3rd June 2020 – Year 1 Grow your Own Potatoes
- 19th June 2020 – Butterflies Assembly
- 9th July 2020 – Science Day

Please continue to check the Parent/Carer Calendar on the school's website for the most up-to-date version of events.

Staff Updates

Mrs Hebblewhite has secured a job at the Pupil Referral Unit and we wish her every success. Mr Wells, an experienced teacher will be taking over the class after Easter.

Miss Mistry has a new job at Wisbech and we wish her well for the future. Mrs Johal will be taking over the class and will lead Early Years. Mrs Johal is an Early Years moderator and an advanced skills teacher for Early Years and phonics.

Mrs Pakenham, Early Years Teacher will be leaving at Easter. We wish her well for the future. Mrs Houlihan will remain teaching this class until the end of the academic year.

We wish Miss Burch good luck as she leaves at Easter to have her baby and we look forward to welcoming Mrs Coles back in June. Mrs Bowers will also be supporting Class 19 as an experienced Year 6 teacher.

We have appointed a further two teachers for September.

We congratulate Mrs Moses who has achieved her Level 3 in Forest Schools.

Message from the Office Manager

Due to the small office space, please may we ask parents and carers to wait outside for future events and class assemblies. Children arriving late struggle to get into school and it can be uncomfortable for them. The noise level in this confined area, can also have an impact on the office staff when assisting parents and carers on the telephone or assisting with the barrier. We thank you for your support.

Water



Please can I remind all parents/carers that only water is allowed in school in see-through water bottles. No juice is allowed without a Doctor's note.

No juice because:

- It is sticky if spilled
- If one is allowed they all should be
- Ants
- Water is better for children

Snack



Children should be having a healthy snack for playtime which is fruit or vegetables. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are

provided with a snack (Government free fruit scheme for children aged 4-6) and any that is left is available to children in Years 3 to 6. Children should not eat their packed lunch at playtime.

Emailing School



We are very happy for you to e-mail teachers to pass on concerns or celebrate things. Please be aware that during the school day teachers are teaching and not looking at their e-mails. It can be 6.00pm before teachers finish their meetings so they sometimes don't get to their e-mails until the following morning. Sometimes they are not available during the school day due to being on a course. We would ask that you give us 48 hours to provide a response to any e-mails.

Earrings

For health and safety reasons, children are not able to take part in any PE activity (including swimming and dance) if they are unable to remove their earrings.

Adults are not permitted to remove earrings, the children need to be able to do this themselves, and plasters over the earrings are not sufficient.

If after the 6 week healing period, your child is unable to remove their earrings due to the area of the piercing not healing correctly, then we would suggest that you take them to their GP for advice.

If you are thinking about getting your child's ears pierced, we would encourage you to wait until the summer holidays so that they have time to heal and they can learn to take them out themselves.

Parents are encouraged to actively work with our school in helping to minimise the disruption to the PE curriculum. Parents can help by ensuring that school guidance on jewellery is adhered to.

School Reports

Please can I remind parent/carers if you require two reports because parents do not live in the same house, please ensure the school office are made aware.

School Boilers

I am delighted to say that the Governors have borrowed £98,000 to replace the main school boilers which were over 30 years old and could no longer be repaired. While the new boilers were being installed the boiler for the additional part of the school, middle school years 4 and 5 stopped working and was condemned. It cost another £32,000 to have new boilers installed in middle school.

We now have a completely new heating system throughout the school.



Uniform

Please could any parents of younger children send in any uniform that they have grown out of. This will enable us to give a set of uniform to pre-schools for their role play.

Communication



If your child is having any difficulties with another child, please come into school and let us know. It is not acceptable for an adult to go up to another child and tell them off or threaten them.

Coronavirus

Children are anti-bacing as they come in school, before lunch and when they go home. All visitors are using anti-bac when they come into school. Tissues are in every classroom. Children have been told to sing "Happy Birthday" while they wash their hands so that they are washing for 20 seconds.

Please see attached website for the latest news

• <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Please see below a helpline number which is for education and parents are able to use it.



HM Government



**DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION
CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE**

0800 046 8687

8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Just a little reminder



Before and after school, children and pre-school children are not allowed on the play equipment on the mound and in the school grounds. They can use the playpark.

Aspirations Day for Year 6

We are holding our Year 6 Aspirations Day on Tuesday, 23rd June 2020. This is when Year 6 have guest speakers and choose workshops to listen to.

If you are able to spare a morning or an afternoon to share details about your job or hold a practical session i.e. bricklaying with the Year 6's we would be very grateful. The sessions usually last 30 minutes.

Please contact Mrs Walden at denise.walden@williamlaw.peterborough.sch.uk with details about what you can offer and whether you would prefer a morning or afternoon slot.

We want our children to have goals, to realise how education is important and to start Secondary School with the right attitude.

The types of jobs we are looking for are:-

- You Tuber (this would be very popular!)
- Solicitor
- Hairdresser
- Author
- Plumber
- Florist
- Vet
- Beautician
- Locksmith
- Graphic Designer
- Architect
- Sign Writer
- Doctor
- Physiotherapist
- Accountant
- Mechanic

And many more...

**Mrs T Cunningham
Headteacher**

“The only behaviour we can completely control is our own, but the way we behave will influence the behaviour of others”