



William Stukeley Church of England Primary School

Newsletter: Term 4 (2019/20)

In our happy, caring and safe school, our teachers will inspire learning, support us to achieve success and create lifelong values, characteristics and ambitions

Welcome Back

We hope you all had a lovely half term and we are all excited about the busy term ahead as we approach Easter.

Coronavirus

Following the outbreak of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), we wish to reassure you that we are keeping up to date with government advice and continue to actively monitor the situation.

It has been reported that, at this time, it is unlikely that anyone within the school will come into contact with an infected person. The best advice is for individuals to remain vigilant of their own health, take appropriate precautions to minimise the potential spread of illness, and if you think you may be ill, it is important to not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment but instead call NHS 111 to seek advice over the phone of what to do.

We have guidance on the school website, or for the most up-to-date information please see the gov.uk website. Up to date guidance for schools can be found by following the link:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19

Values Education

This term our Value is **Love**, the key value that Christian foundations are built upon – it lies at the root of all other values and is Love in action. It means how we show respect, goodwill, affection, benevolence and concern for one another. This translates in how we promote an ethos of care and concern that embraces all members of the school community and beyond – it is at the heart of what we do.

We recognise that God the Father is Love. When we show His Love, God lives in us. This underpins the other values. We believe that through a focus on Love by working together as part of a strong and supportive family, we can all achieve more – socially, emotionally and academically. *Matthew 22:38 "Love your neighbour as yourself"*



Hilltop – Year 6 Residential

Year 6 had the most amazing time at Hilltop! Considering the forecast before we left of persistent rain and strong winds, we were so lucky with the weather, only experiencing one light shower!

It is always uplifting to see the children overcoming the challenges of the different activities that they experience and we know that the lessons they learn whilst on this type of activity will last them a lifetime.

The children were an absolute credit to the school and to parents / carers and we are very proud of each and every one of them.

Sport2day Competitions

Volley Ball:

Two children in each year group (Y3 – Y6) took part in a volley ball competition with six other schools at the Holbeach Hub on Wednesday 29th January. As usual, the children did their best and showed their good sportsmanship towards the other competitors. Well done to all the children!

Tchoukball:

Eight children in each year group (Y3 – Y6) took part in a tchoukball competition at the Holbeach Hub on Wednesday 5th February with seven other schools. Our school finished in fantastic second place (silver medal position) - the children were very well behaved and brilliant sports people.

Pop Up Uniform Shop

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who donated to our pop up uniform shop. With your generous donations we were able to rehome 75 pieces of uniform! If you do have any donations of uniform, then please bring them to the office so we can continue our new venture.



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Chinese New Year

On 27th January, Foundation Stage and Key Stage One celebrated the Chinese New Year, the year of the Rat. The children looked fabulous in their animal masks! There were many different activities during the day. Children learnt about the story of how the years were decided and they heard the story of the Nian Monster. They took part in craft activities to make different decorations and each child got to make and take home a lucky red envelope! A huge thank you to parents to help fund the cost of the specialist teacher who brought along a 'real dragon' to dance with. The dance experience was invaluable and children amazed us with memorising the dance moves. They managed to put the moves together with fans, parasols and even controlled the huge dragon to perform a simple dragon dance!



Chapel Hill Duo

On Thursday 27th February the children watched a live music performance from The Chapel Hill Duo. They played a variety of music from classical to modern day pop on violin and cello. The children enjoyed singing along to songs from The Greatest Showman and Ed Sheeran. They were particularly good at guessing the film tunes that the duo played in their 'guess the theme tune' quiz.

After School Ballet (Y3-Y6)

There are spaces available in the Rebecca Dear School of Dance Ballet classes. Classes are held on Thursdays, 4.30pm-5.00pm (childcare is available so children do not have to go home first to return to school). If your child is interested, please contact the office.

Year 6 Transport

If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2020 they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible please apply for transport as soon as you have your offer of a school place. Applications can be made online at the website below or a telephone application can be made by contacting the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782020.



For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport. Queries can be emailed to schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Head lice

General reminder: Please check your child (and any siblings) for head lice and take appropriate action should you find any eggs or lice. Head lice can be effectively treated using medicated lotions or by wet combing, using a specially designed head lice comb; **everybody needs to check, treat and monitor their child's hair to eliminate the lice**. If you are worried or you would like more advice about head lice please contact your School Nursing Team on 01775 652146 or speak to your GP or pharmacist. Alternatively, for further information and advice please see www.nhs.uk.

Letters for the office

If you have any reply slips or monies to be sent to the office, for your convenience we have a post box located outside the main entrance. When sending or bringing payments into school please ensure that the envelope is labelled and securely sealed; please ensure you send the exact amount as it is difficult for us to always give change. May we respectfully ask that deadlines for the return of slips etc. are adhered to; children can often be disappointed if not and it can create additional work for the office staff.



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Absences / Medical Appointments

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please ensure you phone the school to advise – you can leave a message on our answerphone, stating the reason for absence. Please remember that all school absences must be followed up in writing. School records will be marked ‘unauthorised’ if we have not received confirmation in writing regarding an absence.



Please also be reminded that, following ‘Health Protection Agency’ guidelines, it is recommended that children stay off school for 48 hours following any vomiting or diarrhoea.

When should my child return to school?

Chicken Pox When all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis None*	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever None*	Hand, foot & mouth None*	Impetigo When lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies After first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek None*	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
	Flu Until recovered	Head Lice None*	Threadworms None*	Tonsillitis None*	

*No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed.

Winter Weather

Should the school need to close due to the weather, we will text all parents who are registered with ParentMail, however, you can also find out via BBC Lincolnshire or Heart FM Radio stations. If you cannot get your child/children to school, then please telephone and leave a message on the absence line explaining your difficulty.



Lunchtimes



If ordering school meals for your child, please ensure that it is an option that your child likes and will enjoy. Please do not send a packed lunch for your child if you have ordered a school meal – if you are unsure which days you have ordered, you can check on www.willoughby-foods.co.uk or by contacting the office.

Please do not send products containing nuts as we have children in school with nut allergies.

Communications

If you are on Facebook, please ‘like’ our Facebook page by following the above link or searching for *William Stukeley CE Primary School*. Please be advised, our Facebook page is only used to provide information and reminders for parents / carers only. If you need to contact the school, we kindly request you do so by the same methods as before e.g. telephone, email or calling in to the office.



In addition to our Facebook page, we still have our other current communication methods, including paper copy letters, ParentMail emails and texts, our school website; www.williamstukeley.lincs.sch.uk and Twitter @WilliamStukeley.



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Parking

It has been highlighted that the dropped kerb by the school gates has been blocked on numerous occasions, preventing disabled access. We would like to remind all parents/carers and visitors **not to** park by or block the dropped kerb and **not to** park in the yellow box, as this is also required for emergency access and access to the staff car park. Thank you for your consideration in keeping our school safe.

We have also been advised by the Highways Agency, the entrance to the school, from Spalding Road, will be closed for approximately 4 hours on Saturday afternoon March 21st 2020. Work to start around 1.30pm.

Diary Dates for Term 4

Monday 24 th February	Start of Term 4
Friday 28 th February	PGL 3 rd payment due
Monday 2 nd March	Ducks daytime parent meetings
	Secondary School offers to parents from LCC
Wednesday 4 th March	Kingfishers daytime parent meetings
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Monday 9 th March	Hérons daytime parents meetings
Wednesday 11 th March	Robins daytime parents meetings
Thursday 12 th March	Owls daytime parents meetings
Monday 16 th March	Falcons daytime parents meetings
Wednesday 18 th March	Eagles daytime parents meetings
Thursday 19 th March	Swans daytime parents meetings
Friday 20 th March	Friends Mother's Day Stall, after school (details to follow)
Monday 23 rd March	Doves daytime parents meetings
Wednesday 25 th March	Woodpeckers daytime parents meetings
Friday 27 th March	Friends Disco, KS1 5.15pm-6.15pm / KS2 6.30pm-7.45pm
Tuesday 31 st March	Hérons, Owls & Swans Production, 6.00pm
	Friends Easter Bonnet and Card Competition (details to follow)
Wednesday 1 st April	Hérons, Owls & Swans Production, 6.00pm
Thursday 2 nd April	Stukeley University S Factor Concert, 6.00pm
Friday 3 rd April	Easter Church Service – Holbeach All Saints Parrish Church
	End of Term 4
Monday 20 th April	Start of Term 5

REMAINING TERM DATES 2019/20

Term 4	Monday 24th February – Friday 3rd April 2020
Term 5	Monday 20th April – Thursday 21st May 2020 <i>Bank Holiday Friday 8th May 2020 (school closed) NEW DATE</i>
Term 6	Monday 1st June – Tuesday 21st July 2020

Staff Training Days
(school closed)

Monday 6th January 2020
Friday 22nd May 2020

One training day remaining; twilight sessions will probably be used

Due to school requirements training days may be subject to change.



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TERM DATES 2020/21

Term 1	Thursday 3rd September – Thursday 22nd October 2020
Term 2	Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December 2020
Term 3	Tuesday 5th January – Friday 12th February 2021
Term 4	Monday 22nd February – Thursday 1st April 2021
Term 5	Tuesday 20th April – Friday 28th May 2021 <i>Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday (school closed)</i>
Term 6	Monday 7th June – Wednesday 21st July 2021

Staff Training Days *Tuesday 1st September 2020*
(school closed) *Wednesday 2nd September 2020*
 Monday 4th January 2021
 Monday 19th April 2021

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School Times School Starts 8:55 am.
 Lunchtime KS1 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm.
 Lunchtime KS2 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm.
 End of teaching and learning for KS1 3:20 pm.
 End of teaching and learning for KS2 3:25 pm.

Please remember to visit our school website: www.williamstukeley.lincs.sch.uk

