



William Stukeley Church of England Primary School

Where our shared Christian values give us a foundation of challenge and support, helping to make a positive change in the world, as we strive to create a community of respect and aspiration, preparing everyone for their future.



Newsletter: Term 2 (2022/23)

We welcome everyone back to another busy term at the school. There is so much to look forward to over the upcoming weeks, especially in the build-up towards Christmas! It has been lovely to see so many parents coming into school for our first face to face parent's evenings in over three years, since the pandemic, and we hope to see you again for many of the events planned this Autumn Term.



We would like to say a very big Thank You to Tesco, Holbeach for their kind donation of 20 jazzy hula-hoops! The children have been having fun with them at lunchtime! We would also like to thank Simon Parker of Gibbs & Dandy in Spalding, who has very kindly donated some hi-visibility jackets to the school.

Open Day for September 2023 Admissions

We are holding two Open Days for families of children who are starting in Reception, next September. Please note, we have re-scheduled the dates to:

Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd November. There will be two sessions each day, 10.30am & 1.45pm.

If you have already booked, your booking will be moved to the new date. If you would like to book, please contact the school office.

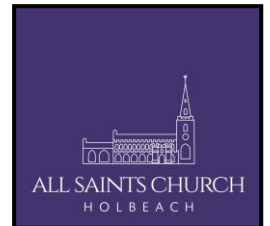
Harvest Festival

On Friday 30th September I attended the Harvest Festival at All Saints Church with the school. It was a delight to see all the children taking part in the service as all the year groups had a part to play. It was clear that all children and staff put in a lot of work to make the service a success, and on behalf of the Governors and myself, I thank you all. The children should be proud of themselves.

The large number of parents and grown-ups attending the service in support of their children added to the success. I was struck by how full the Church was, and the atmosphere was warm and supportive, which was a joy to see. The school's success is not only about the work of the children and the staff; the involvement of children's parents and carers in attending such events plays a significant part in that success, so I extend my thanks to yourselves as well, including those who assisted in walking the children back to school.

I very much look forward to seeing you all at the next event.

Iain Braid, Vice Chair of Governors



Holbeach Community Larder



We would like to pass on the following message from the Holbeach Community Larder:

On behalf of the Trustees, thank you for your very generous donations that were received during the Harvest period following the many festivals that took

place. It is truly heart-warming to realise that we have such local generosity without which the charity would not be able to continue.

Coat of Hopes

Last term, the children in Owls class were lucky enough to see the Coat of Hopes up close after a Collective Worship led by Rev Sherine, Micki Carey-Slater and the Coat's guardian, Sandie. Children participated in three different activities; being completely engrossed in the activity where they got to try on the coat while being told lots of stories about some of the patches, how they came to be on the coat and what they represented.

You can find out more about the Coat, and read the stories behind people's hope patches here: <https://www.coatofhopes.uk/>



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Attendance and Punctuality

ATTENDANCE

Last term, our whole school attendance was **94.25%**, our target is 97% (the national level). We need to remember, for our school to reach 97% we need to ensure that children's time out of school is only for illness or **exceptional circumstances**.

Lateness also needs to be considered as 'on time to school' really does matter; school doors open at 8.45am and school learning begins at 8.55am.

Poppy Appeal & Remembrance Day

In support of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, poppies will be on sale in school from Wednesday 2nd until Thursday 10th November. The children will be given the opportunity to buy a poppy during the school day; please send a donation towards the appeal if your child would like to buy a poppy.

We will observe the 2-minute silence in respect of Remembrance Day on 11th November at 11am.



NHS Flu Immunisations, YR-Y6 – Monday 14th November



Following the recent letter from NHS Lincolnshire Community Health Services (sent by ParentMail), if you haven't and would still like to give consent for your child, please register online at:

<https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

You will need to enter the following code to ensure the completed form can be correctly allocated to our school: **EE120596**. If you have any queries, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Service please contact the Immunisation team on: 01522 572950 (8.30am – 4.30pm Monday – Friday).

School Photos – Tuesday 15th November

We are pleased to confirm that Wrates photographers are coming into school on Tuesday 15th November – Individual & Sibling Photos. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate photos to include pre-school siblings.



Children in Need – Friday 18th November



We are pleased to support Children in Need this year. This year's theme is 'the great SPOTacular', and children are invited to come to school in non-uniform. The children are welcome to wear something spotty if they have it (no football kits please). If you wish to make a donation, please send it with your child in the morning to hand to their class teacher.

Parking

Whilst we appreciate the difficulties regarding the limited parking options, in order to keep the access to school clear for emergency services (at all times) and for the safeguarding and well-being of children being brought into school and collected by taxi, **please DO NOT park in the yellow boxed area or block the car parking spaces outside the staff car park.**



We have also been contacted by some of our neighbours in Back Lane and Littlebury Gardens – please can we request parents/carers are mindful of where they are parking and to be respectful of our local community.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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Willoughby Foods – School Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 7th December



All Christmas Lunch orders must be placed online by Tuesday 29th November (late orders cannot be accepted): <https://www.willoughby-foods.co.uk/>

The menu this year is:

MAIN COURSE: Roast turkey, roast potatoes, stuffing ball, pigs in blankets, peas, carrots & gravy OR Vegetable tart, roast potatoes peas, carrots & gravy

PUDDING: Christmas Arctic Roll

Please remember to order your child's school meals before the order deadline (midnight on the Tuesday of the week before). If meals are not ordered in time, this creates additional work and if children do not have a lunch, we cannot always guarantee spare meals are available.



KS1 Christmas Party – Thursday 15th December

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are having their Christmas Party Day on **Thursday 15th December**. Further details for the party will follow in due course. As the children will be using the hall, hot meals will not be available on this day.

Free School Meals (Pupil Premium)

If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals please click the link to apply:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/free-school-meals/>

Lunches / Food Policy



If sending your child/children to school with a packed lunch, please be reminded to avoid **any nuts or nut products** (including peanut butter and chocolate nut spread) due to concerns about children with nut allergies. Our Food Policy is available on our school website: <http://www.williamstukeley.lincs.sch.uk/information/policies.html>

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

School Uniform

Our free, pre-loved uniform is now well established and being supported by so many of you. All donated items are washed and ironed and ready for use. If you would like to request any pre-loved uniform please complete the form by clicking the following link; we will do our best to cater for your needs (depending on the stock we have available):

[Pre-Loved Uniform](#)



We are always grateful for donations of stock, in clean, washed condition: any boys or girls uniform, PE kit, winter coats, school footwear (shoes, plimsolls and trainers).

New uniform can be purchased online via our supplier Nationwide School Uniforms:

<https://www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk/>

PLEASE ENSURE ALL CLOTHING IS NAMED

Winter Weather – Emergency School Closure



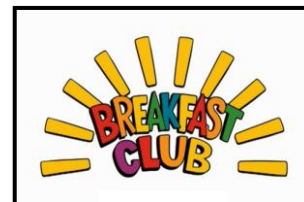
Should the school need to close due to the weather, we will notify parents / carers via ParentMail, however you can also find out via BBC Lincolnshire or Heart FM Radio stations. The information will also be uploaded to Lincolnshire County Council's school closures website:

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-closures/>

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Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club opens at 8.00am each day; sessions must be booked in advance via Parentmail to guarantee their child's place. The booking system is available to book sessions 8 weeks in advance. Sessions close 4 days before the required day. If you would like to book, please book via +Pay (Accounts) on Parentmail.



The cost of each session is £2.00 (children entitled to Free School Meals will not need to pay) and **ALL** sessions must be booked in advance, regardless whether they are chargeable or not.

Local Events

Any posters advertising local events will continue to be placed on our school website rather than being sent by Parentmail – we do not want to inundate parents / carers with Parentmail letters and posters, so please see our Local Events tabs on:

<http://www.williamstukeley.lincs.sch.uk/news/community.html>

Diary Dates for Term 2

Monday 31 st October	Start of Term 2
Wednesday 2 nd November	Parent Evening Meetings (4.00pm-6.00pm)
Thursday 3 rd November	Parent Evening Meetings (4.30pm-7.30pm)
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Day
Monday 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
	NHS Flu Immunisations, YR-Y6 (if consent given)
Tuesday 15 th November	Wrates Photography – individuals & siblings
Friday 18 th November	Children in Need - 'Spotacular' Non-Uniform Day
Tuesday 22 nd November	<i>New date</i> ; Open Day for Reception 2023 intake (10.30am & 1.45pm)
Wednesday 23 rd November	<i>New date</i> ; Open Day for Reception 2023 intake (10.30am & 1.45pm)
Tuesday 6 th December	Friends Bag2School Collection
Wednesday 7 th December	School Christmas Lunch (order online by Tuesday 29 th November)
Thursday 15 th December	Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Party Day (details to follow)
	Y3 & Y4 Pantomime - Snow White at King's Lynn Corn Exchange
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Church Service (details to follow)
	End of Term 2
Tuesday 3 rd January	Staff Training Day
Wednesday 4 th January	Start of Term 3

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TERM DATES 2022/23

Term 1	Tuesday 6th September – Friday 21st October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31st October – Friday 16th December 2022
Term 3	Wednesday 4th January – Friday 10th February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20th February – Friday 31st March 2023
Term 5	Tuesday 18th April – Friday 26th May 2023 <i>Monday 1st May - Bank Holiday (school closed)</i>
Term 6	Monday 5th June – Friday 21st July 2023

Staff Training Days *Friday 2nd September 2022*
(school closed) *Monday 5th September 2022*
 Tuesday 3rd January 2023
 Monday 17th April 2023

One training day remaining; twilight sessions

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

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 3:15 pm.
End of teaching and learning for KS2 3:25 pm.