



Willingham Weekly
1st February 2019

Dairy Dates

8 th February	Cake Sale – Isaac Newton Class
11 th February	Yr 2 – Celidh and Afternoon Tea
12 th February (amended date)	House Afternoon followed by Open classrooms 3.15 – 5pm
15 th February	China Day – FS WSA Film Night School closes for half term
18 th – 22 nd February	Half Term
25 th February	Children return to school
6 th March	Library Visit – Foundation Stage
7 th March	World Book Day - Dressing Up As A Favourite Character
15 th March	School Reports
19 th March	Yr 3 Sports Festival Parent consultations 3.30 – 7pm
21 st March	Parent consultations 3.30 – 5.30pm
22 nd March	Yr 2 Trip to Wimpole Farm
5 th April	Last day of Spring term

Celebrating Our Art



Year 3/4s have been designing and making canopic jars, originally used by the ancient Egyptians. They used air dried clay for the lid design, and hieroglyphics on the cups. The full story, and many pictures, can be found on the art

blog. <https://www.willingham.cambs.sch.uk/blog/?pid=6&nid=6&storyid=193>

Mr Morel and Miss Varty were honoured to be asked by the Parents and Teachers for Excellence (PTE) group to speak at a national conference in London last weekend about developing a Knowledge-Rich Art Curriculum. The line-up of speakers for the day was formidable, with Amanda Spielman (head of Ofsted) and Nick Gibb MP (Minister of State for the Department of Education) kicking the day off. The children at Willingham Primary School receive an incredibly rich art education, one that is the envy of primary schools (and some secondary schools) across the country – something worth celebrating we think!

Willingham School Association

The WSA are holding a movie night for the children on Fri 15th Feb - please see parentmail info for more details.

The WSA have just agreed to fund sports bibs for sports events, Mathematics & TT Rock Stars for 2019, a swimming pool cover, storage for playground equipment and phonics resources. Want to get involved? Email willinghamschoolassociation@gmail.com

Notices



We are pleased to announce that we have been awarded 'Good Diabetes Care in School' by Diabetes UK for our hard work in supporting children with type 1 diabetes.

Open Classrooms

Please note that the house afternoon and open classroom event is on Tuesday **12 February** and not as previously advertised. Parents and Carers are invited to find out about how the house afternoon went and visit the classrooms between 3.15 - 5pm.

Achievements and Awards

Week ending 25th January 2019

Brian Retallick Cup – Darius (Yr 4) - for being a glowing example of reciprocity this week by looking after a peer on the playground.

Highest Class Attendance – Ada Lovelace 100%

Highest Punctuality - Mary Anning, class (FS), Katherine Johnson and Tim Berners-Lee Classes (Yr5/6)

New Deputy Headteacher

We are delighted to announce that, after a gruelling selection process, we have appointed Mrs Angela Walker as our new Deputy Headteacher. Angela has been working at Milton Primary School for the last 16 years and has a wealth of experience, both in the classroom and as a school leader. She stood out from a very strong field, performed brilliantly across all the tasks that the candidates had to undertake and got excellent feedback from the pupils, staff and parents that she met throughout the day. Thank you to all of you who engaged in the process with your thoughts on what you would like to see in a Deputy, these were distilled and shared with both the selection panel and the WSA members, who met and fed back on the candidates, as representatives of the parent body. I'm sure that you will all give Angela the same warm and supportive welcome that you extended to me a year ago and she very much looks forward to meeting you all after Easter, when she will start full time.

David Morel