



Willen Primary School Bulletin 23/9/22

Friday 23rd September 2022

Headteacher's Message



A great first three weeks back to school has been had...with lots going on as always.

Thank you to those of you who managed to make our 'Intro to OPAL for grown Ups' session on Wednesday. Your support in making this new venture work is greatly appreciated. If you missed it, we did record the session and this will be sent to all families via an email link early next week.

Next week (Wednesday 28th) is our WSA (our version of a school PTA) AGM. **ALL** are welcome. In fact, we are in real need for some new members to join the existing magical members who make our fundraising events happen! The meeting is very informal and starts at 5.30pm in the school hall. Hope to see you there!

Miss Matthews

office@willenprimary.org is the best route for all enquiries- feel free to email us anytime!

Diary Dates (Autumn 1)



28/9/22 - WSA AGM, 5.30pm (Hall)

30/9/22 - Macmillan Fundraising event-all welcome-3pm-3.45pm

30/9/22- Year 4 Egyptian Day

6/10/22- Phonics Workshop for families (Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2), 5.30pm

7/10/22 - Annual sponsored Fun Run! (all children, details to follow)

Week commencing 10/10/22 - Parent Consultation week (details in separate letter)

12/10/22- Year 6 Evacuee Day

17/10/22 - School Photos

18/10/22- Deadline for Christmas Card Orders

19/10/22 - WSA Halloween Disco (Years 1-6) (details to follow)

21/10/22 - Harvest Food Bank Drive (details to follow)

21/10/22- Last Day of school

24-28/10/22- Half term Holidays

31/10/22 - Back to School (Autumn 2)

Calling all 'English as a second language' families!

Milton Keynes City Council are running FREE sessions for parents who are new to learning the English language. These ESL Classes are for adults and are FREE! When: Wednesdays 9:30-11:30am Where: Ridgeway Centre, Featherstone Rd, Wolverton Mill, Wolverton, Milton Keynes MK12 5TH

For further details, contact: ema@milton-keynes.gov.uk

Macmillan Cake Sale Fundraiser - Friday 30th September



We are hosting a 'Cake Sale for Macmillan' on Friday 30th September from 3pm. Stalls will be located in both the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds

Delicious baked goods will be on sale to all at the price of 50p per item. All proceeds will go directly to this incredible charity.

We are hoping for donations of homemade OR shop brought items to sell on the day. Please send items to school on either Thursday 29th or the morning of Friday 30th. Please name any containers that come into school so that we can safely return them to you!

Thank you so much for supporting this cause and for your generosity.

Fun Run 2022!

Mr Gould will be sending a letter home to all families detailing our annual Fun Run 2022 on Friday 7th October.

We know that times are hard for families and would like to reiterate that the sponsorship element of this event is optional- all children will take part and have fun regardless!

Are you coming to watch and cheer on your child? Would you be able to don a yellow vest and be one of our marshals for some of the morning? If you are available to help, please email the school office. We will reward all helpers with hot drinks and biscuits!

Thank you

Willen School Association (WSA)

Have you seen our beautiful new library? Enjoyed the AV system in our hall? Watched your children play on our wonderful climbing frames? ALL of these items were purchased thanks to the generous donations of families past and present and through the hard work and service of our dedicated WSA.

We would love to welcome ALL parents/carers/relatives of WPS pupils to our first meeting of the year on Wednesday 28th September from 5.30pm (school hall) to join us in ensuring that WPS children have the best resources and equipment and make long lasting and happy memories.

Please see separate communication from our WSA

Phonics for Families- Early Years and Year 1



Do you want to be able to support your child in their journey to become a fluent reader?

Then our Phonics session for families on Thursday 6th October at 5.30pm is just the ticket!

This session will cover:

- what is phonics?
- why it is so VITAL to every aspect of a child's learning
- ideas for practical games and activities for home

ALL are welcome, however the session will be particularly useful for Early Years and Year 1 pupils and their families.

Parent Consultations- week commencing 10th October

Alongside this Bulletin, you will receive a separate letter outlining arrangements for our first parent Consultations of the year.

This letter will explain how to book your appointment.

As a school, we believe that regular communication between home and school is essential. We have therefore structured the school year to ensure that there is at least one opportunity each half term to engage with your child's teacher and find out how your child is doing. This is of course, in addition to you having daily contact with them via Dojo should you need them!

Autumn 1- Parent Consultation meeting (online)

Autumn 2 - Book Look event (in school)

Spring 1 - Written progress report

Spring 2 - Parent consultation meeting (online)

Summer 1 - Book Look event (in school)

Summer 2 - End of Year report

School Council 2022



Today was School Council voting day!

We would like to thank all of the children who have put themselves forward for this important role and for being brave enough to write and present their manifesto!

Whatever the results of the elections, the staff at WPS are very proud of those willing to get involved. Thank you!

We will announce the elected members in the next Bulletin.

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