



## William Stukeley Church of England Primary School



*'Love others as well as you love yourself.'  
Matthew's Gospel, Chapter 22 verse 39*

*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 4 (2023/24)

#### Executive Head Teacher appointment

We are delighted to announce the appointment of our new Executive Head Teacher, Mr P Bellamy. He will be starting with us at the beginning of next term, after the Easter break and we are sure you will join us in warmly welcoming him to the Stukeley Federation.

We would like to thank Mrs Underwood for her sterling work as Acting Executive Head Teacher.

Mr Bellamy will be keen to meet as many parents / carers as possible in the forthcoming weeks; please do say 'hello'.

Richard Nicholas, Chair of Governors  
On behalf of the Stukeley Federation Governing Body

#### Vacancies

We are looking to recruit additional Relief Mid-Day Meals Assistants to assist with lunches and supervising children during lunchtime. If you are interested in applying and would like further details, please email the school office: [enquiries@williamstukeley.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@williamstukeley.lincs.sch.uk)

#### Parking

- Please keep access to school clear for emergency vehicles, and **DO NOT park in the yellow boxed area**. Access to the staff car park is required **at all times**.
- Please also be aware of children being dropped off by taxis and crossing the road – there have been some near misses in recent days.
- We appreciate that parking is difficult at the moment, especially with the flooding, however please be considerate to our neighbours and each other.
- Do not park ON the roundabout / grass verges.
- Thursdays (bin collection day) - please do NOT park down the access road to school or by the roundabout (except between 8.30am-9.30am & 2.30pm-3.30pm)



#### Parents' Evening



We will be holding Parents' Evening on the following dates this term:

- **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March: 4.00pm - 6.00pm**
- **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March: 4.30pm - 7.30pm**

These appointments will be at school and are bookable through Parentmail. You will receive a Parentmail alert when the booking system is 'live'.

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## Volunteers Required



Are you available on Thursdays between 10.15am-12.15pm? (Not necessarily every week). Could you volunteer your time to assist taking our children swimming? (No actual swimming involved)!

If the answer to the above is 'yes', and you are interested in finding out more, please contact the school office. Please note, all volunteers are required to complete a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

## Bikeability 'Learn to Ride'

Well done to the children who took part in the recent 'Learn to Ride' Bikeability course! The instructors were very impressed with the children's behaviour and determination. Each child enjoyed an hour of cycling and improved their skills!



## Kestrels Courageous Advocacy project

The school is planning to make our walled garden area a relaxing and calm place for the children during playtimes. Kestrels Class decided to help with the provision of bug-hotels, bird nest-boxes and some pebble art. Last term, we asked parents and children to help by finding a pebble to decorate, finding some wood for the animal shelters and giving some loose change.

We were incredibly lucky, we raised £65.35! Lots of children brought in pebbles to paint and donations of wood off-cuts. We also had some wood cut to shape, ready to make into nest boxes. Kestrels Class would like to thank everyone for supporting the children with this project. Thank You!

## Singsation



On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February, pupils in Y5 & Y6 from Swans, Kestrels, Falcons & Eagles went to the University Academy Holbeach for an afternoon of singing and entertainment.

The children were wowed by fabulous performances from a live band and professional singer, Hayley Sanderson, from Strictly Come Dancing!



Our children had been practising a couple of numbers themselves, which they got to perform with other local primary schools. The children were a credit to the school and sounded absolutely fantastic!

To hear one of our songs, make sure you're at our church service on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March!

## Magistrates Workshop

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, pupils in Y6 enjoyed a Magistrates Workshop, delivered by an actual magistrate! This workshop was arranged through the Stay Safe Partnership. The classroom was set up to represent a courtroom and children were given various courtroom roles to carry out. Pupils had to hear the 'case' and decide upon the most appropriate 'punishment' for the 'offender'.



## Chinese New Year



On the last day of Term 3, children in EYFS and KS1 celebrated the 'Year of the Dragon', which took place on the 10<sup>th</sup> of February. The children learnt about how different cultures enjoy different traditions and celebrations. They discovered how and why the Chinese years were named after the first 12 animals.

KS1 wrote New Year wishes on paper oranges which have all been hung to the branches of a tree, in the hope that they come true. The children got to

make 'lucky' paper envelopes and found out that the colour red is a very lucky colour. The day was great fun and enjoyed by all!

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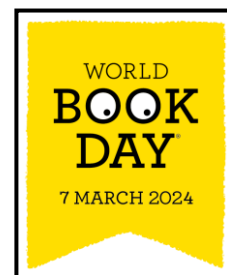
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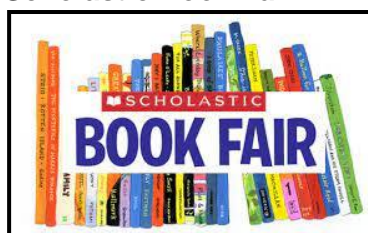
### World Book Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

This year, we will NOT be dressing up to celebrate, but are holding a competition for children to design and make a hat inspired by their favourite book or story character. The hat can be made from any sensible material, including a ready-made cap or straw hat etc and should be decorated to illustrate events that happen in the favourite story, or which show the traits and quirks of the favourite character.

The finished hats should be brought into school on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, where they will be displayed for the whole school to appreciate and enjoy. A winner from each class will be chosen to be rewarded with a book themed prize!



### Scholastic Book Fair



The Scholastic Book Fair is arriving at school, ready for World Book Day! Children will be able to use their £1 World Book Day token to reduce the cost of a book purchased from the fair. The Book Fair will operate a cashless system. In order to purchase books, parents will need to use the QR code provided; this method of payment can be used at the fair, or online. Parents will be able to scan the code on their phone to easily access the Parent Pay website.

Once the books arrive, children will have the opportunity to see the range on offer, before the Book Fair commences. For each book sold, the school receives commission to be spent on additional books for our school. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Friends of the School

Bag2School collection - we receive a donation by weight for: men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

**Collection date: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024 by 9.00am**

**Collection Point: At the side of the staff car park entrance gates**

Thank you for your support.



### Lunches / Food Policy



If sending your child/children to school with a packed lunch or a snack, please be reminded that these should not include any of the following:

- Confectionery, such as sweets and whole chocolate bars.
- Nuts and 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>

### 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/>

### School Uniform

Our free, pre-loved uniform is now well-established and is supported by so many of you. All donated items are washed, ironed and ready for use. If you would like to request any pre-loved uniform (including PE kit), 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 a 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/>

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### Diary Dates for Term 4

|                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February | Start of Term 4                                |
| Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March   | World Book Day                                 |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March   | Herons, Owls & Swans Production (6.00pm start) |
| Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March  | Herons, Owls & Swans Production (6.00pm start) |
|                                  | Bag2School Collection (by 9.00am)              |
| Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March   | 'Space Day' YR/Y1/Y2, Planetarium visit        |
|                                  | Parents' Evening, 4.00pm-6.00pm                |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March | Parents' Evening, 4.30pm-7.30pm                |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March  | Church Service (details to follow)             |
| Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March    | Stukeley University Day 1 (Y1-Y6)              |
| Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March   | Stukeley University Day 2 (Y1-Y6)              |
| Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March  | End of Term 4                                  |

### Diary Dates for Term 5

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| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April  | Staff Training Day   |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April | Start of Term 5  |
|                                | National Offer Day for Primary School YR intake 2024               |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> PGL instalment due (Y6)                            |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May     | Bank Holiday (school closed)                                       |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May    | Y6 SATs week   |
| Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May   | Y6 Church School's Festival, Lincoln Cathedral (details to follow) |
| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May    | Wrates Photography – school class photos                           |
|                                | End of Term 5  |

## REMAINING TERM DATES 2023/24

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| Term 4 | <b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>  |
| Term 5 | <b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b><br><i>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday (school closed)</i> |
| Term 6 | <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024</b>  |

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| <i>Staff Training Days<br/>(school closed)</i> | <i>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024<br/>Two training days remaining; twilight sessions</i> |
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**Due to school requirements training days may be subject to change.**

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| School Times | School Starts 8:45 am.<br>Lunchtime KS1 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm.<br>Lunchtime KS2 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm.<br>End of teaching and learning for KS1 3:15 pm.<br>End of teaching and learning for KS2 3:25 pm. |
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