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'Learning For Life'
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Dear Parents/Carers

I write with an update of all the things happening this Spring Term which leads into the Easter break. The last day of term will be Friday 5th April. The Spring holiday (which incorporates Easter), runs from Monday 8th April, with Summer Term commencing on Tuesday 23rd April (the day after Easter Monday).

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Class Organisation

In summary the class structure is:

Year	Class	Key Stage Group
Reception (Foundation 2)	Class 1	F2 (Foundation 2)
Year 1	Class 1	KS1
Year 2	Class 1	KS1
Year 3	Class 2	KS2 (lower KS2)
Year 4	Class 2	KS2 (lower KS2)
Year 5	Class 2	KS2 (upper KS2)
Year 6	Class 2	KS2 (upper KS2)

Dates for Rest of the Term

MARCH

- Fri 15th - Red Nose Day
- Fri 22nd - KS2: Partake History - Romans
- Tues 26th - Willoughby Primary Performs Songs From Joseph
- Thurs 28th - School Council

APRIL

- Mon 1st - Easter Bonnet Parade
- Egg Rolling
- Tues 2nd - 1:45pm - 3:15pm - Y6 Sports Afternoon
- Weds 3rd - Egg Decorating (am)
- Thurs 4th - Easter Games
- Mon 8th - **MON** - EASTER HOLIDAYS
- 22nd
- Tues 23rd - First Day of Summer Term 2019

Update on Head Teacher Appointment

From the Chair of Governors

I want to update you on progress in the recruitment of a new head teacher to take over from the start of the next school year. The advertisement went live on the Notts CC website on 8th February with 27th February having been the closing date for applications. Some candidates made exploratory visits to school. A selection panel comprising six non-staff governors have considered the applications and have made a shortlist of three candidates for interview. Those interviews will take place in school next Thursday, 14th March. In addition to interviews by the selection panel, each of the candidates will undertake some brief activities so that we can assess their skills and aptitude. Although it will be a school day as normal for the children, some of the routine class arrangements will be altered. So we hope that the children will enjoy this rather special day and will tell you about it.

We will inform you all of the outcome of the selection process soon after next Thursday. Thank you for your support. A reminder that I or other governors are always keen to get feedback, listen and respond to your comments and suggestions on these or other matters in person or by email.

Adrian Bath, Chair of Governors (abath@willoughby.notts.sch.uk)

Red Nose Day

Comic Relief (Red Nose Day), takes place on Friday 15th March, when we invite you to donate £2 or more towards the work of this extraordinary charity.

If you are able to purchase your child a red nose from the shops then they can wear that on Friday in addition to non-uniform. All children are invited to come dressed-up in "something silly" (e.g. shorts over trousers, something on back-to-front, dress like a clown, etc).

Internet Safety

Increasingly we are being cautioned about the dangers on the internet. Issues relating to the internet and all E-Safety are very much part of the safeguarding agenda. The use of technology in education brings more benefits than risks but both children and parent/carers do need to be reminded of issues from time-to-time.

It has come to our attention that a particularly pernicious threat is the 'Momo Challenge Game' that is going around. Whilst children are protected in school, please ensure that their time at home is monitored and that you have antivirus software and appropriate parental controls set. Many games now include some sort of chat facility. Please talk to your child about how they are speaking to friends online. Why not play Parents v Kids - are you ready? This is great for starting conversations about staying safe online. Play here: <https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc/parents-vs-kids>

Another quiz that you can play online with your child (ages 7-11) and reinforces the SMART rules can be found at <https://www.childnet.com/young-people/primary/smart-rules-quiz>

In the Summer Term we will be covering E-Safety with the children in school.

Guilder Trophy Winners

Congratulations to our recent winners of the Guilder Trophy, awarded for effort in work, behaviour and other aspects of school life:

8/2/19: Willow R (Y5)

1/3/19: William B (Y3)

8/3/19: Evie O (Y6)

Health for Kids Website

The Health for Kids website has now gone live for Nottinghamshire.

The interactive website is funded and commissioned by Public Health Nottinghamshire and managed by the Youth Service. The website is aimed at young people aged 5-11 and their parents/carers. It provides information in a fun and interactive way, in order to support children and young people's emotional and physical health and well-being.

Health for Kids is an exciting development offering clinically assured interactive content, which provides health information that is safe and from a trusted source. Children and their parents/carers as well as professionals, can browse the four health worlds which is populated with different information. You can access the website by following the link www.healthforkids.co.uk
More local services can be found in the 'Parents/Carers' Tab.

Girls Football

In April 2019 Keyworth United Football Club will be starting a football program for girls aged 7-11 years old at Platt Lane. Please see below for more information.

World Book Day Voucher

Children have enjoyed Book Week and dressing up as a book character last week. Every child was given a book voucher entitling them to a book or money off a book. Please do encourage them to use this. The expiry date is 31st March 2019.

Please make use of our Scholastic Book Club on line at
<http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/willoughbyonthewolds>

Closing date for the club is Saturday 16th March to ensure orders are received before the Easter break.

Children's Centre Website

The Nottinghamshire Children & Families Partnership have details of the services provided at
www.surestart.notts.nhs.uk

Finally ...

I do hope you enjoy the Spring holiday and Easter festivities and don't eat too much chocolate!

Yours sincerely



Alan Guilder
Head Teacher



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When? Every Saturday from the 6th April 2019
Time? 9.30am-10.30am - ages 5-8 years
10.30am-11.30am - ages 9-11 years
Where? Platt Lane, Keyworth NG12 5GE
Cost? £3 per session
How? Email mrmarkritchie81@gmail.com
or ring 07859 002466



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