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Newsletter

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Willerby Carr Lane Primary School Newsletter



We are very sad to be saying goodbye to some fantastic members of staff at the end of this term. Our school is really lucky to have a team of staff that are totally dedicated and passionate about doing whatever it takes to provide the best all-round educational experience they can for all our little friends over their 7 years with us. Staff who do their best for the school, their class and also take the time to look after and nurture individual children, each with their individual needs. This summer we shall be losing staff who are truly valued for their commitment over many years - predating the Primary School and going back to the old Infant and Junior Schools. Staff who have seen us through fire, flood, amalgamation and now Covid19, with resilience, optimism and energy. They have served our community the best any of us could hope for and we wish them all the very best. Thank you from all of us.



MRS DICKINSON

Mrs Dickinson has worked at the school for ever! She joined Willerby Carr Lane Juniors in 1997 and transferred to the Primary School when it amalgamated. Mrs D has worked as teaching assistant and, for a period of time, as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant. For many years she worked alongside Mr Dickinson (Chair of Governors) as lead members, organising a wide range of social events, race nights and summer fairs—where she was often found manning the extremely popular bottle stall.

Mrs D has enthusiastically attended the Year 6 PGL residential trip every year and was often found dangling upside down from the abseil tower! When a child was feeling ill, Mrs D was always at hand with the sick bucket. She throws herself into most things with gusto, whether it is being Queen of the OAP coffee mornings or running an after school Origami club!

However, one area she tried to avoid was baking. The very mention of helping year 6 to make mince pies using the old 'Baby Belling' cookers would result in a look of panic flashing across her face. Ironically, the Baby Belling cookers are also departing the school this summer in tandem with Mrs D ! (Perhaps she would like to take one with her?)

Mrs D could be relied upon with all things creative for the Year 6 end of year show. Chief props lady, she could whip up a car, a police cell or lion mask out of card, paper and sticky-backed plastic as quick as a flash.

She excelled at helping children. She had a knack of knowing which children needed help and knew just what to say or do to help and motivate them.

Mrs Dickinson has spent the last 13 years working alongside Mrs Smith in Year 6 who says she will feel that she has lost her right arm next September.

Happy retirement Mrs Dickinson and Thank you !



MRS WHITCHER

Mrs Whitcher joined Willerby Carr Lane Primary in September 2014. She had worked for Mr Smith before in North Lincs and he was only too happy to welcome her to join the team at Carr Lane.

Mrs W has many passions, including Design Technology. Whether you are making things from wood, fabric, or plastic, she is your lady. Along the way, she has built greenhouses from drinks bottles and made teddy bears as class mascots. When she is not crocheting, sewing and embroidering she has been completely renovating a house in France doing everything herself with her husband Gavin. And this is where she will be retiring to this summer (too early!!!). French has always been a passion and she has been a fabulous help to children and staff, in the teaching of languages at Carr Lane.

Mrs W has unbelievable energy and determination—ask her if she can design some Growth Mindset awards as she is leaving school and they are on your desk, laminated and alphabetised by 8.00am the next morning!

We will miss you Mrs W. *Bonne chance pour votre nouveau projet*



MR ASCOUGH

Mr Ascough originally worked at Carr Lane Infants school starting in 1999. He has always been unsurpassed in his talent at dressing up at any opportunity! Whether he appeared as Mr Willy Wonka or Henry 8th, no one was ever quite able to match Mr Ascough's full on costume. World Book Day will never be quite the same again.

Beloved by many children, he has spent most of his time working with the younger aged children. He has also been the powerhouse behind our Gardening Gang - and multiple winner of the Driffield Show - providing opportunities for children to learn skills and knowledge outside of the classroom and develop an interest that will hopefully stay with them, life-long.

He is cheerful, funny and always ready to help his colleagues as well as the children.

Mr Ascough is relocating nearer to York and we wish him all the very best for his new adventures...





Mrs Lees has worked as a Teaching Assistant since 2000. For the past few years she has worked in tandem with Mr Ascough. As 'fruit lady' she has made sure that our infants all receive their daily free fruit.

She is ever youthful, wonderfully calm, patient and full of gentle but insistent encouragement—perfect attributes to help our smallest friends to thrive and develop self-confidence.

In her spare time, as well as being grandma, she takes part in a local choir. Her daughter, a professional dancer, has also regularly been in school to help choreograph shows for our older children.

We wish Mrs Lees a well deserved, fabulous retirement.



MISS GILL

Miss Gill has been a Teaching Assistant at Carr Lane for the past 4 years. During that time she has worked in every year group from Year 3 to Year 6 helping to support children with their individual needs as they've progressed through school.

She has often been suspected of encouraging teachers to turn their classroom cupboards into naughty, treat stores contrary to our Healthy School Policy, but somehow the evidence always seemed to vanish and Miss G seemed unable to comment at the time!

We wish Miss Gill happiness in her new Teaching Assistant role at an East Riding School.



New Staff joining us

I am very pleased to announce that we will be joined by several new staff in September. All of our new staff are very highly qualified and come with excellent track records. They will each be an asset to our already very strong team. Some of them have already started working within bubbles or online from home. The others will join us in September and, along with our existing staff, are excited to get going!

Mrs Windass

Year 1



Miss Molloy

Year 1



Mr Browning

Year 2



Miss Mounsor

Year 3

(photo to come)

Mr Mills

Year 5



Miss Tindall - HLTA

Miss Rowledge - TA in Year 1

Miss Blanshard - TA in Year 4

Miss Leedham—TA in Year 5

Mrs Keenan - TA in Year 6

(photos to come)

Reading—Phonics, Fluency, Comprehension and Reading for Pleasure

At Willerby Carr Lane, we believe that the ability to read is fundamental to pupils' development as independent learners, during their time at school and beyond. Success in reading has a direct effect upon progress in all areas of the curriculum; therefore reading is given a high priority at our school.

Evidence of our success with reading over the years can be seen in the results and achievements of our children. Our phonics scores are ahead of national outcomes and by the time our children leave us at the end of Year 6 they continue to attain very highly. Nonetheless, there is still room for improvement in developing children's reading fluency and reading comprehension. In September we will be putting increased emphasis on reading throughout the school to help fill the gaps that will have occurred during the 6 months of lockdown. We aim to rebuild children's confidence and skills and, most importantly, we would like to support children in developing positive attitudes to reading which will encourage them towards life-long reading.

In the Infants, from EYFS to Year 2, there will be an increased emphasis on phonics when we return. We will be involving more staff to teach phonics, in smaller, carefully targetted groups and we will be allocating more time during the week to catch-up. After Christmas, Year 2 will start to shift focus from phonics to Reading Mastery.

In years 3-6 we will be putting increased emphasis on our whole class Reading Mastery sessions to develop fluency and comprehension skills. In our whole class Reading Mastery lessons, there is a high level of interaction between teachers and pupils. Children are exposed to high-quality texts and discussion in an immersive environment. Teachers carefully choose texts to provide appropriate challenge that builds on pupils' existing knowledge and understanding. During the daily sessions, each year group studies an age appropriate book that will stimulate enjoyment for reading, expand the children's vocabulary, improve fluency and extend their comprehension skills. In order to have the most impact, each child will need to have their own copy of the book. This will allow them to read at their own pace, create notes within the text, as well as, complete follow-on work at home. Having their own personal copy to annotate will give them a much greater ownership and personal investment in their learning.



Personal Copy Books for Annotation

As you can imagine, within these financially challenging times, the cost to purchase a book for every child would be difficult for the school to fund. Therefore, we need your help to ensure the approach works by buying your child a copy of the book that they can cherish and expand their passion for reading.

The school will only be able to purchase a very limited number of texts (including audio versions) therefore it would be a great help if you are able to purchase a copy of the below mentioned book for your child to use. New or used copies of the books can be purchased on many websites such as:

Abebooks UK	https://www.abebooks.co.uk/?cm_sp=TopNav_-_Results_-_Logo
Amazon UK	https://www.amazon.co.uk/
Ebay UK	https://www.ebay.co.uk/
Biblio	https://biblio.co.uk/
Waterstones	https://www.waterstones.com/

This model has been used extensively across the East Riding and proven to be highly effective. We are always amazed and grateful for all the encouragement you give your children and our school community and once again would like to thank you in advance for your support with our commitment to reading for pleasure.

Details of your child's class book:

Year Group	Book Title	Author	ISBN
3	A Series of Unfortunate Events: The Bad Beginning	Lemony Snicket	9780749748814
4	The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane	Kate DiCamillo	9781406360660
5	Coming to England	Floella Benjamin	9781509835492
6	Street Child	Berlie Doherty	9780007311255

We would ask that your child purchases the book during the summer holidays, but does not read it in advance.

Arrangements for Full School Reopening in September

We look forward to **ALL** children returning to school on **Tuesday September 8th**. We are busy amending our staggered start systems, bubble operations, physical set up and after school provision. We are also updating our risk assessments and consulting with staff, LA and Governors. We aim to be able to provide you with details of how we will be working by the end of this week.



New Classes for September 2020

We will be sending out annual school reports as well as details of your child's new class teacher on Tuesday 14th July.

Children in school in bubbles will be told by their bubble teacher on Tuesday.

Since we are not able to invite you into school, we will be sending out details of class moves as well as a welcome message from your class teacher.



Wave Goodbye, Say Hello

On Wednesday 15th July we will be holding a Zoom meeting for children to say 'Goodbye' to their class teacher and another Zoom meeting for them to say 'Hello' to their new class teacher for September.

Normally, at this time of year we would have a 'moving up morning' where children would spend the morning with their new teacher, but obviously this is not going to be possible this year.

So instead, we will have two meetings on Wednesday:

- Say Goodbye Meeting—from 4.30 to 4.45pm
- Say Hello Meeting—from 5.00 to 5.15pm

The meetings are for children (not parents). Details of how to join your Zoom Meetings will be sent out next week.

(Note: this does not apply to Year 6 who will be having their 'Goodbye' on the field on Friday afternoon.)



Keeping in Touch with your Class Teacher from September

Systems for drop-off and pick-up will be changing from September to cater for having 420 children in school, as well as an adjusted form of after school provision. We will be asking you to drop-off and pick-up your children from external classroom doors. The details of how this will work will be sent out tomorrow.



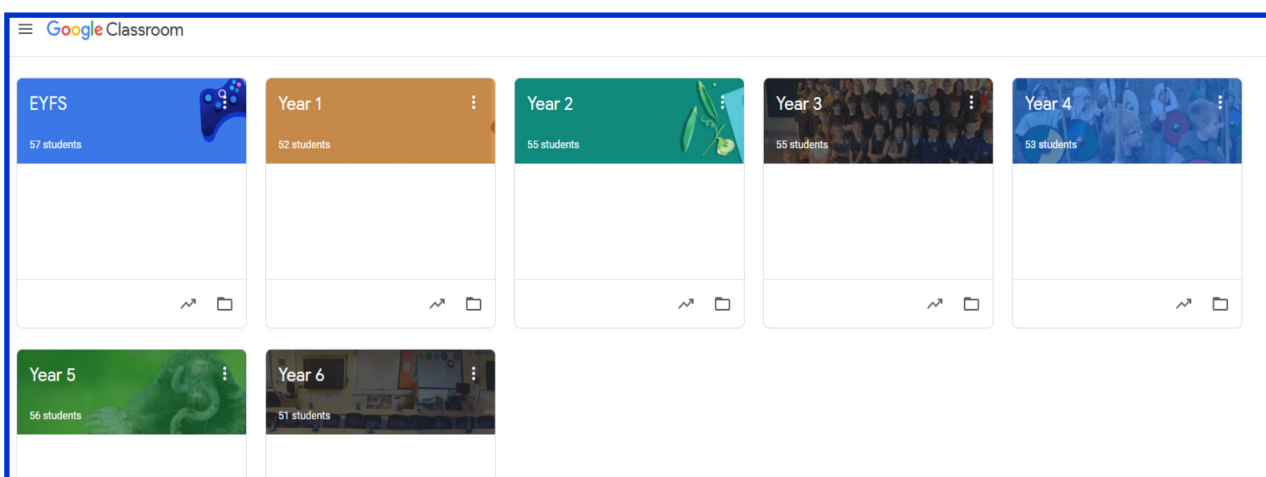
However, parents will still not be allowed in to the school building. Parents will be required to drop-off/ pick-up quickly and to leave the site promptly. Stopping to have a 'quick word' with the class teacher by the class door or passing notes in, will not be allowed—this would put our staff, yourselves and the children at risk. It is also not confidential.

To allow for the passing of messages etc, **all** teachers will be using the Class Dojo app from September. Many teachers have already been using this and it has received very good feedback from parents. We will provide details of how this operates in September.

Contingency Planning

Whilst we are eager to get back to school life as safely close to normal as possible in September, we also need to be mindful that year groups, parts or the whole of school may need to shut at some time in the future if Public Health England instruct us to, in response to local Covid outbreaks.

As such, we are making contingency planning to allow us to switch immediately back to online learning if required for a short time. We plan to still utilise Google Classrooms as our main platform. We shall therefore keep our online classrooms set up and promote children to the next year group. We will also register all of our new EYFS children on Google classrooms and send details to new parents so that they can get themselves logged on and ready—just in case. We will also be looking at other software that we can purchase to enhance our online teaching offer and maybe support with homework whilst reducing the amount of paperwork that needs to go to school and home.



Would you like to work for us?



Permanent Lunchtime Supervisor

WCLPS are looking for a Lunchtime Supervisor to support our children at lunchtime.

The position is for 8 hours per week: 11:50 – 13:26, each day, Monday to Friday. The post is term time only to start September 2020.



Permanent Cleaner

We are also looking for a Cleaner to join our cleaning team in school to start September 2020.



The position is for 10 hours per week: 4.00pm to 6.00pm, each day, Monday to Friday. The post is all year – round (availability to work during school holidays is essential and cleaning staff holidays must be taken during school holidays)

For details of either position, please email the school for an application form please email admin@carrlaneprimary.net.

Please note that Willerby Carr Lane Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all employees and volunteers to share this commitment. The suitability of all prospective employees or volunteers will be assessed during the recruitment process in line with this commitment.