

# Willaston Primary School

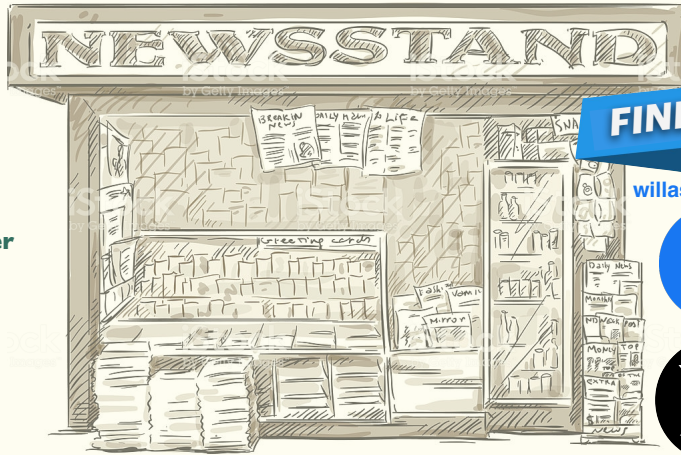
'Behaviour values: fair, respect, safe. This is how we do it here'



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**NEWSLETTER**  
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## Dates for Your Diary

- 13.02.24** Open The Book Assembly
- 14.02.24** Valentines Disco
- 16.02.24** Deadline for Parent Governor nominations
- 16.02.24** MSPCA Dress As An Animal Day
- 16.02.24** School closes for half term at 3.30pm
- 26.02.24** Reopens for new half-term
- 26.02.24** Girlguiding Thinking Day  
*Brownies and Rainbows may come to school in their uniform.*
- 04.03.24** Y6 Aspiration Fortnight begins
- 07.03.24** World Book Day  
*Details to follow!*
- 08.03.24** Daffodil Judging Day!
- 08.03.24** Y5 Wildlife Park trip
- 15.03.24** Red Nose Day (Dress In Red!)

**This is not an exhaustive list! The homepage of our website has a live calendar of events - check it out!**

## Message from Mr. Kelly

Greetings to you all as we embrace the new challenges and opportunities this term brings.

**Community Spirit in Snow:** The January snow brought some cold days, but it was heartwarming to see our school community come together. Thanks to everyone who helped make our entrances safe and ensured that our pupils could attend school despite the challenging conditions.

**PC Lou's Invaluable Contributions:** A huge thank you to PC Lou for working across the school with all our pupils. The collaboration with the local Police has been outstanding, providing valuable learning experiences for our young ones.

**Exciting Events Ahead:** Looking forward, we have several engaging activities planned, including Dress As An Animal Day, a Valentine's Disco, World Book Day, and our Aspiration Fortnight. These events not only provide fun experiences but also important learning opportunities.

**Home learning:** Thank you for embracing our new homework policy. Lets continue to keep these good habits in place!

Be sure to visit our website and follow us on social media for the latest updates and news. Together, let's make this a term full of learning, growth, and community spirit at Willaston School! *With best wishes, Max Kelly, Headteacher*

**We wish to remind parents of the 48-hour rule. If your child experiences symptoms such as vomiting and/or diarrhoea, it is imperative that they stay home and are symptom-free for 48 hours before returning to school.**

**If you have a child due to start with us at Willaston School in September, please get in touch asap to register their place! If you know of any families in and around Willaston with children who will be school age in September, please encourage them to get in touch with us so they can register a place too!**



## MSPCA Dress As

### An Animal Day



Willaston School will be supporting the MSPCA by joining in with "Dress As An Animal Day" on Friday 16th February.

It is optional to take part - if your child is more comfortable in dress down clothes or school uniform then that will be fine. We are asking for an optional donation of £1 per child if you take part, which can be brought in on the day. Your outfit can be as elaborate or low key as you like - a bit of black eyeliner and some black paper triangles clipped to a hairband can make a quick and easy cat; onesies can often be a quick and easy costume too!

More information to follow on this - we thought it would be useful to give you an early "heads-up!"

## Uniform Reminder

A gentle reminder that our school uniform is now red polo shirts. The transition period has ended, so please ensure your child wears the correct colour to school. We now have almost everyone in the correct colour polo shirt... but we're aiming for everyone!

We've also noticed some children regularly attending school in white or coloured trainers.

Our uniform policy is for black school-style shoes, but we can include a plain black trainer in that definition too.

## Red Nose Day 2024 - 15th March

Willaston School will be supporting Comic Relief by taking part in Red Nose Day next month! On Friday 15th March the children can come to school in non-uniform. The theme will be *Dress In Red* and we will ask children to bring in a small donation which we will collect in and send to Comic Relief - though such a donation is entirely optional. Our suggestion is £1.

## Y6 Aspiration Fortnight (4th - 15th March)

Y6 have organised an Aspiration Fortnight! This will involve visits and trips to local entrepreneurs and businesses - this includes a trip to the Wildlife Park and the Villa Gaiety to see behind the scenes. The Mayor has agreed to come into school to talk about her role as well as visits from beauticians, party planners, cake decorators, actors and musicians. Remember to follow us on socials for plenty of updates throughout the fortnight!

## Parents at Willaston Schools

### Gift appeal

Have you got any spare gifts left over from Christmas? Or duplicate gifts?

PAWS are looking for donations of surplus gifts for their Mother's Day event this year. Any donations can be brought to the School Office.



**Your Parent Governor is Toby Smith. Toby's term of service has expired - he is happy to commit to a further two year term as is allowed under the articles of governance, however if any other parents would like the opportunity to serve, please inform Mr Kelly by 16th Feb so that an election can be arranged in the new half-term.**

**Brownies and Rainbows**  
Brownies and Rainbows are welcome to wear their Brownie/Rainbow uniform to school on Monday 26th February for Thinking Day.

