NEWSLETTE Willaston Primary School MAY 2024 'Behaviour values: fair, respect, safe. This is how we do it here' QS S'16 **Dates for Your Diary** 06 05 24 Bank Holiday - school closed **FIND US** 13.05.24 Y6 Shropshire Trip begins 14.05.24 E Andy Warn Music Workshop 17.05.24 Y4 Rock Pooling Y6s return from Shropshire Trip willaston.sch.im 17.05.24

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200524 Y6 Crucial Crew Trip 21.05.24 Peter | Murray - Author Visit Y4 Manx Dolphin & Whale Society 21.05.24 Bank Holiday - school closed Sports Day (details below) 27.05.24 290524 30.05.24 Last day of half-term 31.05.24 Teacher INSET Day - no pupils in 10.06.24 School re-opens for new half-term This is not an exhaustive list! The homepage of our school website has a live calendar of events - check it out!

Message From Mr Kelly

Greetings from Willaston School! As we look forward to warmer weather and eagerly anticipate the excitement of TT towards the end of the month, we're thrilled to share the latest school updates and events with you. Remember to keep an eye on our live calendar on the school website homepage for upcoming events. And of course, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Thank you for your continued support as we navigate this exciting time of year together! Max Kelly, Executive 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 our catchment area 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!

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School Milk

Starting this September, we will no longer be providing milk to our pupils during school hours. This decision comes as we have observed a significant decrease in the number of pupils opting to receive milk, with figures now dwindling to single digits.

However, we want to assure those of you who have already ordered and paid for milk for this term that your children will still receive it as planned. We understand the importance of fulfilling commitments made, and we will honour any pre-existing arrangements.

While we will no longer be offering milk as part of our school provision, please remember that children are welcome to bring their own drinks from home. Additionally, water will continue to be readily available from the coolers throughout the day, ensuring that our pupils stay hydrated

and focused on their learning.

Sports Day 2024 00

This takes place on Wednesday 29th May. As we did last year we have split the event into infants and juniors with Reception and KSI taking place in the morning (from around 9.30am) and KS2 taking place in the afternoon from 1.30pm.

Its the Summer Term and as such the weather should slowly but surely begin to improve so please remember to pack sun hats, water bottles and apply sun-cream before school!

Congratulations to all of our talented - and brave -Willaston children who performed in this year's Manx Music Festival (The Guild.) Everybody at Willaston School is really proud of you! Well done!

BON VOYAGE

Y6 Shropshire Trip We wave goodbye to our Y6s w/c 13.05.24 for their week-long trip to Manor Adventure in Shropshire. They will be accompanied by Y6 children from Dhoon School and Laxey School and will have the opportunity to deepen their existing friendships and make new friendships too! The trip promises to be FANTASTIC and we wish all of the children - and Mrs Thompson, Miss Marshall and Miss Irving



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- best wishes for a special trip.

Peter J Murray

Renowned children's author Peter | Murray, most famous for his series of Mokee loe books, will be in Willaston School on Tuesday 21st May to work with all of our children inspiring them to read and write through a series of interactive workshops! Peter has visited Willaston School on previous occasions and his sessions always go down well with the

children.

Andy Warn Music

Andy Warn is returning to Willaston School on 14th May with his African themed "Sounds Rubbish" musical workshops which involves drumming on dustbins! We are confident the children will have a great time!

Notice Board

Stay connected with us on Facebook, Twitter, and our regularly updated website!

Has there been a recent change in your child's medical details? Please ensure their records are up-to-date! You can easily make updates directly on Arbor by logging in. Alternatively, reach out and inform us. If your child needs medicine or inhalers in school, please ensure they are available to us.

Your child's well-being is our top priority.

Please remember that the car park is for staff only, and there should be no stopping outside the school for drop-offs. Let's prioritise safety!

Punctuality Matters: School starts promptly at 8:55 am. Please ensure your child arrives on time.

Manx Wildlife Trust Wilder Award

Willaston School is delighted to be working towards the MWT Wilder Award. Big thank you to Mrs Brain and Ms Wade, and Mr and Mrs Adams, who have been busy working with our children planting, digging, painting and preparing our planters and wild areas. The outside grounds are really looking magnificent - please feel free to take a look next time you're passing!





