



Honey Pot Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of our first half of the Autumn term we would just like to say how well the children have all settled on either their return or starting new, they are all making fantastic progress and growing in their confidence and we look forward to seeing what the second half of term holds.

As the weather changes we have started to point out the signs of Autumn with the children and will be sending home a scarecrow hunt for you to do over half term.

Bags and belongings

Please name your child's bag on the **outside** as this makes them a lot easier to find quickly! 😊



School Applications

Deadline is 15th of January to apply for the primary school of your choice. If you would like a tour of Willingham primary, please contact the school office.

Family board.

We have our family board up and running in the blue room. It would be lovely to see all of our families displayed. This has also been helpful with settling in and being able to talk about family. Feel free to send them via email. To the Honey Pot email or your child's key person.



Please remember to check your children's drawers, each child has a drawer in the yellow room!



Banana Allergy

We have a child with a severe banana allergy, please remember we are a banana free setting.

Drop off

Now that the children are settled we are asking parents to drop them off at the yellow room door and not enter the building, unless necessary. This makes the transition inside a lot smoother and also avoids upset for the other children. Please avoid conversation at the doorway when people are trying to come in, if you need to share any information for that day please speak to Kate or email your child's key person. Thankyou

Christmas card orders.

Christmas card orders must be returned by Thursday 6th November. Late orders will not be accepted.

Staff

If you have a question about your child, please email their key person or you can arrange for a chat at the end of the session.

Kate - KVanDort@willingham.cambs.sch.uk
Beth H - BHoughton@willingham.cambs.sch.uk
Hannah - HDeeks@willingham.cambs.sch.uk
Gemma - GReader@willingham.cambs.sch.uk
Lucy - LLindon-Brown@willingham.cambs.sch.uk
Annette - Amitchell@willingham.cambs.sch.uk
Sarah - SBeecroft-Hall@willingham.cambs.sch.uk
Beth C - BCreek@willingham.cambs.sch.uk

Parents evening

We will be holding a parents evening for all of our new children on Tuesday 11th November, please look out for an email from your child's key person.

Honey dog & Buzz the Bear

Honey dog and Buzz the Bear are having a lovely time on their visits to your homes and we love hearing about all of their adventures. Honey dog will be visiting **ALL** of the children going to school in September 2026 before they leave us and Buzz will visit the children who will be remaining for another year. If your child has not had their turn yet please do not fret **EVERYONE** will get their turn. With both teddies there is a book please can we ask you to remember to **write in them**, if you take photos and have trouble printing off please feel free to send them to us to print off for you, we do read these stories at group time.



Nappies & Wipes

If your child is in nappies/pull ups please remember to pack enough nappies and wipes for their session. Should you want support with toileting or advice around potty training please speak to your child's key person

School Lunches

School lunches are an option for all children, the menu can be seen on the school website. Please remember to book this via the pupil asset system, the cut off to order their lunch is at 9am, you can book in advance. Any problems you can book in the school office.

Pirate Ship

Please can we remember to keep children off the pirate ship at school at the beginning and end of the day in accordance with school rules.

Funding

Parents will need to secure extended or expanded funding the term before it is to be used. You will be given a code that will need to be shared with Kate along with your National Insurance number.

Autumn

This half term we have been looking at the signs of autumn appearing in our garden, the children are noticing the leaves changing and recognising the leaves falling on the floor because it's getting colder. We have been collecting leaves around school and will continue to talk about autumn when we return after half term. We will be sending out a scarecrow hunt for you to do over half term. If you see any of the scarecrows on the map on your walk maybe you could take a picture and upload to evidence me for all of us to see 😊.

September 2026 sessions

If your child will still be attending Honeypot in September 2026 please can you start to let Kate know the sessions you would like to avoid disappointment.

Term Dates

- Monday 20th October – Friday 24th October- Diwali
- Thursday 23rd October- Last day of term
- Monday 3rd November- School & Honeypot opens
- Thursday 6th November- Christmas card deadline
- Tuesday 11th November- Parents evening
- Friday 14th November- Children in need
- Friday 19th December- Last day of term

