



Friday 2nd October 2020

Children travel in Car Seats – It's the Law

Parents and staff have recently witnessed children being collected in cars and being driven away without being properly strapped in.

This is unsafe for children and other passengers in the car and it is illegal. Your child's safety is paramount and if an accident happens, a child who is unrestrained in the back of a car could be seriously injured or die from an accident even at quite low speeds.

The current law states that all children travelling in the front or rear seats of a car must be **strapped in securely using the correct car seat appropriate to their age and weight**. Using a normal adult car seat belt for a young child is not enough to keep them safe in an accident as they will slip through. It is the driver's responsibility to ensure that all passengers in the car, whether adult or child, are safely strapped in.



Broadly speaking babies up to age of 12 to 15 months should be in a rear-ward facing car-seat. This should not be put on the front car seat if there is an air bag fitted.

Children and toddlers aged from approximately 12 months to 11 years should be in forward facing car-seat depending on weight. There are many different types of car-seats with different age and weight limits. Please ensure

that you use one that is right for your child and your car.



After School Film Club – Thursday 22nd October

We have had a great response to our next Film Club which will be held on **Thursday 22nd October 3.00pm – 4.45 pm.** We are now fully booked for our October Film Club. Please still feel free to return your form to the office and we will add you to our waiting list and you will have first refusal for the November Film Club.

Flu Immunisation Thursday 2nd December – Reception & K\$1 Children



On Thursday 2nd December Reception and KS1 children will be offered the Flu vaccine in school. In a few weeks we will send a consent form home in your child's book bag. Please sign it and return it to the school office so your child doesn't miss out.

Face Masks - Reminder



Parents/carers need to wear a facemask during drop off and pick up and respect social distancing. It is important that children are in school and that The Willows School is supported to ensure we remain a safe environment for children and staff. We all play a part in preventing the spread of infection.

Headlice

The return to School is often combined with the return of Headlice – you can buy a Bug Busting comb kit from the School office. It costs £5, you just need to use ordinary shampoo and lots of conditioner and a bit of patience and time.



Pirate Lunch



The Pirate Lunch was a huge success and we had lots of new children trying a school dinner! There were quite a few children booked in to take part in the Pirate Lunch who still brought in a packed lunch to school. It's horrible to see food going to waste so please be mindful to make note of special school events such as this in the future.

A huge thank you for returning your child's dinner order form for October – December; we are really pleased to be able to offer a wider choice of lunches, but it also helps Hayley, our school chef plan how much to prepare every day. Please remember that School lunches are free for all children in Reception – Year 2.

Street Dance After School Club

The Street Dance After School Club is now full – if you have received an email to confirm your child has a place, please bring £18 to the school office next week. The Club starts on Wednesday 4th November for 6 weeks.

MK Gallaticos Football Development Centre

MK Gallaticos Football Development Centre is running a Football Club on Sundays on the Fishermead Sports Ground, Newlyn Place; 10am – 11am. Children will need to wear shin pads, football boots and bring a water bottle. Suitable for children aged 5 year – 12 years – the cost is £4 per child. Please see the attached poster about who to contact for more information.

Diary Dates

Thursday 22nd October - Film Club

Amendment - Week Beginning Monday 9th November – Parent
Consultations

Friday 23rd October – Friday 30th October – Half Term

Wednesday 2nd December – Flu Immunisation