



## Welcome from the Head Teacher

Welcome back to the final term of the academic year. We are looking forward to an exciting and busy few weeks ahead, with increased opportunities for outdoor learning and activities as we make the most of the warmer weather. We also have a number of special events to look forward to, including our much-anticipated Summer Fair. This has been a highly successful year for Walkeringham Primary School, with our children achieving so much both academically and personally. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for their continued support throughout the year.



- Jack In The Box Parent & Toddler group every Monday
- Summer Fayre – Thursday 18 June at 3.30 pm
- Wednesday 24 June – Sports Day 1
- Thursday 25 June- Parent Share (History/Geography)
- Monday 29 June – Friday 3 July – Yr6 Transition Week at Retford Oaks
- 1<sup>st</sup> July (reserved Sports Day)
- Friday 24 July – Last Day of Term
- Mon 27 July – INSET Day

### CLUBS

- Football Club every Thursday (Y1-Y6) – 3.30 – 4.15 pm



Please join us on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 15.30-17.30 for our summer fair. We have the raffle, teddy tombola, games, inflatable fun run and slide, gift and food stalls, facepainting, ice-cream van and more!

If you'd like to be involved, bake for our bake off which will be judged by the WI, young ones can have a stall of their own to sell items they've made or unwanted things, donate to the raffle or teddy tombola or come and help on the day. Please email us at [friends@walkeringham.notts.sch.uk](mailto:friends@walkeringham.notts.sch.uk) if you'd like to enter the bake off or reserve a table for you or your young one.



An assembly has been conducted recently by the RNLI regarding water safety. Recent news reports have highlighted several tragic drowning incidents involving young people during warm weather, reminding us how important water safety is. Whether you are near a river, lake, beach, canal, or swimming pool, children are reminded to always stay with a trusted adult and follow safety signs. Even on hot days, open water can be very cold and dangerous, which can make it difficult to swim or breathe properly. If you ever get into trouble in the water, remember to stay calm, float on your back, and call for help. By learning water safety rules and making sensible choices, everyone can enjoy water activities more safely and help prevent accidents.

## Attendance

For the first half of Summer Term 2026 (13 April 2026 to 22 May 2026) our % attendance figures were as follows:

Willow Class	89.27%
Sycamore Class	94.11%

As you can see, attendance in both Classes is below the expectation of 95% or above. This is lower than last term. As you know, there is a much higher emphasis on and expectation of school attendance. This includes a tighter limit on the number of days of absence allowed and the issuing of higher fixed penalty notices.

*Just a reminder that holidays in term time cannot be authorised and the LA are inclined to issue higher fixed penalty notices.*

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## Class News

### **Willow Class (Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) - Miss Haigh**



Willow Class has had a busy and exciting half term! The children have been enjoying growing strawberries and were delighted to harvest and taste some delicious ripe red strawberries from our garden. Last half term, Nursery and Reception loved learning about superheroes and people who help us in our community. The whole class had great fun taking part in a special Superhero Day, where everyone dressed up and celebrated their learning. In Years 1 and 2, the children explored significant individuals in history, including Rosa Parks, Nelson Mandela and Mother Teresa. This half term, they are looking forward to creating protest placards inspired by their history work and learning more about how these remarkable people helped to bring about positive change.

### **Sycamore Class (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6) – Mrs Spacey**



Sycamore Class made a great start to the half-term last week, with a visit from the RNLI about water safety and a school trip to Austerfield on Thursday.

This half-term we will be continuing to learn about rivers and in science we are learning about how plants and animals are classified. We are sewing some animal key rings, Year 6 are beginning their transition visits to their new schools and we will soon be starting to prepare for our end of year, leavers' performance.