

NEWSLETTER

William Gilbert Endowed School

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Dear Parents

Sports Day

Our annual sports day will take place on Wednesday 19th July on the Ecclesbourne Sports field, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

All parents, relatives and friends of the school are welcome to join us on sports day and you may wish to bring your own chair to the event.

We must pray for good weather as Wednesday 19th July is the only date Ecclesbourne can offer us; therefore we have no alternative. Furthermore, if the weather earlier in the week is inclement, Ecclesbourne reserve the right to use Wednesday 19th July as their reserve sports day in which case our event would have to be cancelled.

I will write to confirm much nearer the time. Meantime be aware of the date in your diary.

Staff Illness

A number of staff are still absent due to ill health and we wish them a speedy recovery and return to school. Mrs Willis in particular, is devastated to be absent for such a long time when she has only just joined the school. She has been very poorly but is beginning to make a recovery from pneumonia. We all hope Mrs Willis will be able to return soon but offer her our good wishes and full support not to return to work until she is fully recovered.

Meantime, I am very grateful to the remaining staff for coping with the disruption caused by staff absence and further support towards covering teachers and assistants

Thanks especially to part time staff who have worked longer hours. As for the children, they have coped remarkably well with an array of different faces.

Staffing

Mr Hunt our Caretaker and Mrs Van Gulik our Year 6 teacher are retiring at the end of this academic year. We are collecting towards a leaving gift for them both. If you would like to contribute to the collection please send your money in a sealed named envelope directly to the office. Thank you in anticipation.

School Clubs

Due to the number of forthcoming visits and concerts, Clubs will be finishing on the dates listed below. Thank you to all the parent helpers and staff for giving their time, patience and dedication to support the after school activities. Thanks also to parents and staff who support in other ways by escorting pupils to tennis, swimming and giving lifts to matches.

Gymnastics	Finishes Monday 3rd July
Computers	Finishes Monday 26 th June
Art & Craft	Finished Wednesday 21 st June
Hockey	Finished
Soccer Stars	Ongoing towards the end of term, coaches to confirm the final date

Yours sincerely

S J Whyld (Mrs)

Headteacher