



# Wildridings Weekly

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Dear Parents and Carers,

When the school football team wins a fixture 8-0, (as they did yesterday afternoon against Meadow Vale), I think they would be disappointed if I didn't begin my weekly message with it – so here it is! Miss HC was so impressed with the team because not only did they keep scoring goals through their great teamwork but they achieved this high score whilst also being respectful to the opposition too. So well done to all who took part and we remain unbeaten so far this season – keep it up!

Another sporting success to celebrate was the opportunity for some children across KS2 to take part in a cricket skills event yesterday. With the summer sun still just about shining, the children really made the most of the opportunity to practice the skills of a sport not many of them had played too much of before and should feel proud of their success.

Whilst sport really does enrich the school experience for many of our pupils and is an area we want to get even better at, this drive for improvement applies to other aspects of school life too. With OFSTED having visited the school earlier this year, our areas for development are matched very closely to those they identified as 'needing attention.' However, if you would like to find out further information about how we intend to make the necessary improvements to provide the best education possible then please do take a look at our [School Development Plan](#). (One thing that always helps is having increased income in order to fund these improvements so a big thankyou for your support with the School Census this week - every little helps).

Also, over the next few weeks we will sadly be saying farewell to Mrs Lindsay (HLTA) and Miss Griffin (TA) as they pursue other opportunities. I am sure you will join me in wishing them well in their future ventures whilst also thanking them for the contribution they have made to school life. We are interviewing for a variety of support staff roles next week so I will keep you updated of any new appointments and where they will be working as soon as I can.

And finally, Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October have been included in the Diary Dates of the newsletter for the past few weeks because this is when Parents Evenings are scheduled to take place and do keep an eye out for further information about this as the appointments 'go live' 7pm on Parent mail next Tuesday evening.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr B Ellis  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates

### October

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> – Involve Coffee Mornings (weekly)  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Fraser Photographs (Individual)  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> @ 9.30am – YR Prospective Parent Tour  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening 3.30-6.00pm  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Flu Vaccinations  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Parents Evening 4.00-7.00pm  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 1.30pm – YR Prospective Parent Tour  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Y5&6 Puzzle Locker Escape Room  
**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> – Half Term – SCHOOL CLOSED**

## Weekly Celebration

Lunchtime Medal Winner: Prem P (Zephaniah)

| Class       | Medal Winner | Writer of the Week | Weekly Attendance* |
|-------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Nursery     | Essa         | N/A                |                    |
| Butterworth | George R     | YR                 |                    |
| Donaldson   | Iris         | Kira               |                    |
| Coehlo      | Famara       | Y1                 | 95.2%              |
| Jeffers     | Tommy        | Willow             | 87.2%              |
| Percival    | Rylie        | Y2                 | 96.1%              |
| Bright      | Jude         | Eris               | 95%                |
| Dahl        | Ruby         | Y3                 | 97.8%              |
| Wilson      | Isabelle     | Jenaelle           | 94.3%              |
| Bloom       | Martin       | Y4                 | 97.1%              |
| Rosen       | Oaklry       | Cheuk-Kai          | 96%                |
| Morpurgo    | Leo          | Y5                 | 96.1%              |
| Rauf        | Isabelle     | Ivy                | 95.2%              |
| Zephaniah   | Mia          | Y6                 | 93.1%              |
| Pullman     | Isabelle     | Lewi               | 96.4%              |

The House Point results are:

Green – 857      Red – 880  
Yellow – 693      Blue – 651



If you've not signed up for it yet, just a reminder to activate your child's BoomReader account! Yes it might be yet another app for you to use, and yes you will need to log when you listen to your child read at home, (at least 4 times a week please) but the more your child reads the more they can personalise their account with their own avatar, earning gems and getting things from the BoomReader shop!

## Proposal to convert to Academy Status

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Governing Body and I have been considering conversion to academy status. The document also included with this letter provides more information about this proposal and about what academy status means more generally, for our school and for your children.

The purpose of this letter is to consult you about our proposal to join [The Keys Academy Trust \(TKAT\)](#) following extensive research and due diligence. Details of how to comment or ask questions are provided at the end of this letter so please do let us know what you think.

The Governors and I continue to want the best outcomes possible for all our children and we also want to preserve and develop the ethos, values and philosophy that underpin our school's activities and define it as a community. Academy status will support us in sustaining what makes our school unique whilst also providing an opportunity to collaborate with a like minded set of schools who both effectively challenge and support Wildridings Primary School therefore ensuring the best outcomes for our pupils.

Academy status will change some things behind the scenes and provide great opportunities for future development, but otherwise you and your children will see little difference. As Headteacher and governors our focus will remain on your child's learning and the opportunities we can provide. We will also continue to work closely with the local authority and other local primary and secondary schools.

We hope that you will continue to give myself, governors and staff your support in driving our school forwards. If you have any questions or comments you would like to make about the proposal to convert to academy status, please complete the following form - [Wildridings TKAT Parent Consultation](#), with your comments by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 9am.

In addition to this, throughout Parents Evenings later this month, (scheduled to take place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October), members of the Governing Body and I will be available near the entrance to the Key Stage 1 Hall if you would like to ask any questions in person, learn more about the rationale for this decision or have a discussion about the changes this will make to the school behind the scenes.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Brent Ellis (Headteacher) and Mrs Rhona Stainthorp (Chair of Governors)

## Wildridings Primary School Menu w/c 5<sup>th</sup> October 2026 - £2.74 per meal (Key Stage 2)

| Monday 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Tuesday 6                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Wednesday 7                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Thursday 8                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Friday 9                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>Mains</b><br>Hand Stretched Margherita Pizza & Pasta Salad (V)<br>Hand Stretched Pineapple Pizza & Pasta Salad (V)<br>VEGAN Margherita Pizza & Pasta Salad (VG)<br>Mushroom Carbonara (V)<br>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (V) (GF)<br>Wholemeal Sandwich (choice of fillings).<br><b>Accompaniments</b><br>Green Beans (VG) (GF)<br>Sweetcorn (VG) (GF)<br>Salad Bar<br>Homemade Bread (V)<br><b>Desserts</b><br>Crispy Cake (VG)<br>Fresh Fruit<br>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF) | <b>Mains</b><br>Traditional All Day Breakfast<br>All Day Veggie Breakfast (V)<br>The Dolce Gardeners Brunch (VG)<br>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)<br>Wholemeal Sandwich (choice of fillings)<br><b>Accompaniments</b><br>Hash Brown (VG) (GF)<br>Baked Beans (VG) (GF)<br>Garden Peas (VG) (GF)<br>Salad Bar<br>Homemade Bread (V)<br><b>Desserts</b><br>Peach & Apple Crumble (VG)<br>Custard (V) (GF)<br>Fresh Fruit<br>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF) | <b>Mains</b><br>Roast Chicken (GF)<br>Mild Vegetable Keema Curry (VG) (GF)<br>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)<br>Jacket & Mild Vegetable Keema Curry (VG) (GF)<br>Wholemeal Sandwich (choice of fillings)<br><b>Accompaniments</b><br>Oven Baked New Potatoes (VG) (GF)<br>Rice (VG) (GF)<br>Carrots (VG) (GF)<br>Savoy Cabbage (VG) (GF)<br>Gravy (VG) (GF)<br>Salad Bar<br>Homemade Bread (V)<br><b>Desserts</b><br>Lancashire Cookie (VG)<br>Fresh Fruit<br>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF) | <b>Mains</b><br>Spanish Chicken & Tomato Rice (GF)<br>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)<br>Wholemeal Sandwich (choice of fillings)<br>Macaroni Cheese (V)<br><b>Accompaniments</b><br>Sweetcorn (VG) (GF)<br>Carrots (VG) (GF)<br>Salad Bar<br>Homemade Bread (V)<br><b>Desserts</b><br>Chocolate Fudge Pudding & Pears (V)<br>Fresh Fruit<br>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF) | <b>Mains</b><br>Fish Fingers<br>Fishless Fingers (VG)<br>Mixed Bean Enchilada (VG)<br>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)<br>Wholemeal Sandwich (choice)<br><b>Accompaniments</b><br>Chips (VG) (GF)<br>Garden Peas (VG) (GF)<br>Baked Beans (VG) (GF)<br>Tomato Ketchup (VG) (GF)<br>Salad Bar<br>Homemade Bread (V)<br><b>Desserts</b><br>Lemon Drizzle Cake (V)<br>Fresh Fruit<br>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF) |