



# William Gilpin School

## Newsletter

Summer Term - Friday 12th June 2026

### HEADTEACHER UPDATE

#### Courage, Compassion and Community

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### School Fair Success

Last Saturday's school fair was a wonderful success despite the rain! Thank you to our incredible parents for your unwavering support and spirit. It was fantastic to see so many members of our wider community join us, and we were thrilled to raise approximately £1,500. Most importantly, as always, the children were their usual kind, thoughtful, and polite selves.

#### Year 6 Leavers' Programme

Our Year 6 students have been busy representing the school with distinction. During their recent visits to Walhampton, their behaviour was exemplary. Staff reported being deeply impressed by their manners and listening skills during kayaking, and the BMX instructor, who visits dozens of schools, remarked that this was the nicest group of children he has worked with in years. You are truly living up to the expectation of representing our school well!

#### Attenborough Winners & Summer Learning

Congratulations to our recent Attenborough competition winners, we were so impressed with your work. Please keep an eye out for details regarding our next home learning project, designed to be completed over the summer holidays.

#### Summer Reading Challenge

With the summer holidays on the horizon, Lymington Library visited us this week to speak about the joy of reading and launch the Summer Reading Challenge. We strongly encourage every child to participate.

#### School Council

The School Council has shared some fantastic ideas for improving playtimes. It was wonderful to see some classes come prepared with typed lists after consulting their peers. While we might have to pass on the suggestion for a jacuzzi and foot massages, we have plenty of great, practical ideas that we look forward to implementing soon.

#### Church Vision Group

The Church Vision Group is currently working on a lovely "Bee" themed display for their vision board. We look forward to seeing their bee-themed crafts completed next week.

#### How You Can Help

We are grateful for the many parents who have asked how they can support the school. While painting contractors will soon be refreshing our feature walls, we would welcome volunteers to join a "painting working party" to help repaint the woodwork. Additionally, we are always seeking volunteers to hear children read. Please contact the school office if you can assist with either.

Thank you for sharing your delightful children with us. They make us proud every week.

Kind regards,

Elizabeth Cox  
Headteacher