

Report to PCC
Monday 23rd May 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to report on the activities of Willersey C of E Primary School for the year 2021 to 2022. It has been good to get back to normal over the course of the year and have the children all back in school. We did have a period of COVID disruption in the Autumn but this was, thankfully, not repeated during the year.

- The numbers of pupils in the school at the beginning of the academic year 2022 was 53 and the numbers are now a healthy 55 meaning that there is only one place spare. We are looking forward to welcoming the new Reception children for their taster days before the end of the Summer Term.
- 10 Year 6 children will be leaving this year and moving on to secondary school. They have completed their end-of-key-stage assessments and they will be busy preparing their written memories and their presentations.
- We have been using various online worship resources, with i-sing pop being the main one this year. We had some class worships outside earlier this year.
- We enjoyed the 'Experience Easter' worship and wish to pass on our thanks to the church community for their hard work in preparing the activities and leading the sessions.
- We have spent a good proportion of the year 'catching up' and this has meant an emphasis on early reading and writing for our youngest children, whilst making sure that we have a wide curriculum.
- The children have been on a couple of educational visits – The Cadbury Museum, The Black Country Living Museum as well as a local gymnastic visit.
- Sporting events have included the usual cross-country, the indoor athletics. The main achievement this year has been for both Willersey teams getting in to the Floorball finals. This has not happened before (according to the records). The mixed team won the season and the girls' team is due to play their final in June.
- The children in class 1 put on a successful school Christmas production in December. It was good to be able to welcome parents and the local community back in again.
- We have been fortunate that the very dedicated Friends of the School have continued to raise funds for the school. The main focus has been raising money for the Forest School equipment. We are thankful that the Parish Council allow us to use the fantastic site in the village.
- We have welcomed new members of the governing body to the school. This ensures that the governing body now has a full complement.
- My thanks to all the support we receive from the PCC and the members of St Peters.'

- We would also like to put on record of our gratitude to Scott for all the support that he has given our school community over the past five years. He has encouraged and looked after us all and we will miss him. However, we wish him all the best for his new role.

Mark Jackson
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