



Pride News...

Headteacher's Message...

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Dear Parents / Carers

Happy New Year to you all and I hope that you had a great Christmas.

It has been fantastic to welcome the children back to school this week and see them return in such a positive way. They have immediately settled back into the routine of school and I hope that this term brings more successes for all of them.

We will be sending a newsletter every Friday going forward to ensure that communication continues to flow from school to parents and carers. Just a reminder that our main method of communication is Class Dojo. If you are not yet signed up to this it is important that you get registered so that you do not miss any vital information. If you have queries about this please speak initially to your class teacher.

After School Clubs

You will receive a Class Dojo message notifying you of the club your child has been allocated before Monday. We are just working through the lists to ensure that we can give as many spaces as possible to the children that have requested it.

Bikes and Scooters

We are happy for children to bring bikes and scooters to school. Just a reminder that these children should dismount from their bike or scooter before entering the school grounds and should wheel them out of the grounds before riding them home. This helps to ensure everyone's safety.

Parent Voice

[Parent View](#) gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about our school. When you go to the website you will be asked for your opinion on 12 aspects of our school so it shouldn't take too long to complete. Please visit the Parent View website so that you can give your views.

Our last Parents and Carers survey was completed in October 2022 and you can see the results [here](#).

Hope you have a great weekend!

Pete Hales



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PRIDE AWARDS!

These children have shown what it means to be:

- ★ **Be Positive**
- ★ **Be Respectful**
- ★ **Be Individual**
- ★ **Be Determined**
- ★ **Be Excellent**

PRIDE Award WINNERS...

Acorn – Linda and Sanaiyah
Ash – Callum and Logan
Birch – Remy and Kalel
Chestnut – Eliza and Phoenix
Elm – Sam and Jazmyn
Maple – Morgan and Jenson
Oak – Lola-Rose and Harrison

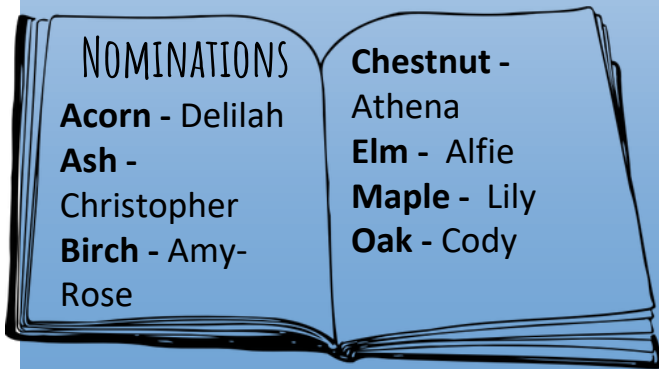
PRIDE Champions





STAR READER...

WILLOW'S STAR READER SPECIAL SURPRISE AWARD



Each week teachers will nominate a star reader from their class. A star reader is someone who has shown progress in reading, shown enjoyment of reading someone who has overcome difficulties in reading or shares their love of reading with the class or a friend. At Willow Primary Academy, we know the key to knowledge is reading and we want to inspire a lifelong love of reading! Willow has a special surprise book for the Super Star Reader to take home, keep, read and enjoy!



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Dates for Your Diary

Term Dates for 2022 – 2023

Term 1 from Wednesday 7th September 2022 to Thursday 20th October 2022

Term 2 from Monday 31st October 2022 to Friday 16th December 2022

Term 3 from Wednesday 4th January 2023 to Thursday 16th February 2023

Term 4 from Monday 27th February 2023 to Friday 31st March 2023

Term 5 from Tuesday 18th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023

Term 6 from Monday 5th June 2023 to Tuesday 25th July 2023

School Events

Tuesday 10th January 2023 – Young Voices (more information to follow)

Wednesday 11th January 2023 – Year 3 & 4 Swimming lessons start at GL1

Monday 30th January 2023 - Elm Class Assembly (parents of Elm Class are invited)

Wednesday 1st February – Birch Class Trip

Monday 13th February 2023 – Parents Evening (further details to follow)

Tuesday 14th February 2023 – Parents Evening (further details to follow)

Friday 17th February 2023 – INSET Day

Thursday 23rd March 2023 – Screening vision and Measuring height and weight of children in Reception and Year 6.

Friends of Willow Events:

Tuesday 10th January 2023 – Friends of Willow Meeting (3.00 pm to 4.00 pm)





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INCLUSIVE MIXED ABILITY FOOTBALL

An inclusive, stimulating and nurturing environment for young people to participate in physical activity.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
EVERY TUESDAY 4PM - 5PM
£3 Per Session.

Willow Primary Academy | Sporting Ground
Evenlode Road, Tuffley, Gloucester GL4 0JY

SUPPORTED BY
 **CHAPTER ONE**
DAY CENTRE

ENQUIRIES:
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If your child requires additional support, please contact C2i Chapter One to gain further information.





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Adult Education – Family Learning in Schools

In Family Learning we allow children to come together with their parents to interact and build on their skills. We offer a wide variety of courses (some for parents and children and some for just parents) that have been developed to enhance skills and knowledge, ranging from...

Family First Aid



Different Types of Crafts



Healthy Eating on a Budget



Money Saving Tips



Maths & English



Mindfulness & Mental Wellbeing



We also offer sessions within schools that focus on helping parents to support their children with their learning and wellbeing.

Please contact: jasmine.pugh@gloucestershire.gov.uk

* Free subject to eligibility. There may be a cost for people in work. *Learners must be over the age of 19 and a UK/EEU resident in the last 3 years. Learner must be one of the following: Unemployed/learning below £10,525.00 (net/week); Learning disability; Mental health difficulty; or qualified below a level 2 (less than 5 GCSEs).



We would like to welcome you to a coffee afternoon, Wednesday 18th January 2022 at 2pm-3pm at Willow Primary Academy.

The reason for this coffee afternoon is that we would like to run some adult education/family learning courses at school and would love to know your initial thoughts on what you would be interested in learning about. Jasmine Pugh from Adult Education, Nikki Hendry and Debra Arthur will be at this coffee morning.

Please feel free to pop along and see what you think, find out about the types of courses possible or share any of your ideas. Please note if you come along, you do not have to commit yourself to a course (just come along for a coffee or tea and a biscuit or two) 😊

Any questions please do not hesitate to speak to Nikki Hendry (Nikki.hendry@willow.sandmat.uk)

