



Pride News...

Headteacher's Message...

Date – 07.06.2024

Dear Families

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the start of the summer term with your families. It is always a delight to welcome our children back for what promises to be a fulfilling and exciting term ahead.

As we embark on the last term of the academic year, I wanted to take this opportunity to stress the importance of regular attendance. Attending school regularly is crucial for your child's progress and overall development. Consistent attendance ensures that your child does not miss out on valuable learning opportunities and helps them stay on track with their peers.

I encourage you to support your child by ensuring they attend school punctually and regularly. If your child is unwell and unable to attend, please notify the school as soon as possible to keep us informed. This can be done via the absence line or via a Class Dojo to Mrs Sullivan or Mrs Arthur.

I am confident that with your continued support and engagement, we can make the most of this term and finish the academic year on a high note. Together, we can help your child achieve their full potential and set them up for success in the future.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding attendance or any other school matters, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or the school office. Your involvement and communication are vital in creating a positive and productive learning environment for your child.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and let's make this summer term a memorable and successful one for our children!

Have a great weekend!

Pete Hales



Pride News...

Gloucester City HAF holiday activities & food

GLoucester City HAF PROVIDES FREE ACTIVITIES AND FOOD FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN.

HAF takes place three times a year during school holidays in:

- Spring
- Summer
- Winter



Activities

Free activities that can be booked online including:

- Family activities
- Children and young people activities
- Ticketed attractions



Signposting

You can contact us for support and we can signpost you to organisations that can help you.

Food

Food is available during activities making sure your children have access to a healthy meal.

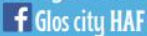


If you need help to sign up or book activities contact us:

gloshafconnector@gmail.com

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Glocityhaf.co.uk



Bookings go live on July 1st 2024.

(Booking information above)

This Summers HAF

Free Summer Activities for Children, Young People & Families



An update on HAF booking this summer...

We will continue to allow families time to browse all of the activities that are on offer two weeks before they are available to book online.

From 17th of June at 12pm, you will be able to view all the activities on offer in the summer. This means you will be ready when **activity booking goes live at 12pm on the 1st of July.**

The Summer HAF Activities will take place between 22nd of July and 23rd of August.

Activities for Families living in Gloucester City Can be found here: www.glocityhaf.co.uk

Setting up a CABS account is easy: Scan this QR Code with a phone camera for quick access



If you need any HAF related help then please contact us:

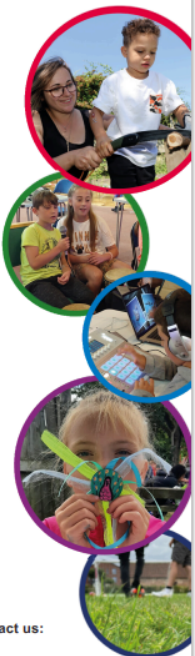
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In Other News

Online Safety Tip of the Week



Safeguarding Safety Tip of the Week

Water Safety

Most of us enjoy spending time by the water, but people often put themselves in danger because of a lack of awareness of the dangers there can be. Rivers can be fast, flowing, deep and have very cold water which can take your breath away. Canals can also be dangerous, with slippery bricks or steep banks with uneven edges that could cause a fall. There may be hidden rubbish or sharp objects in the water, or pollution that could make you ill. Follow these rules to stay safe near water: children should not go near water without an adult; stay away from the edge; if you fall into the water unexpectedly, float until you can control your breathing; if you see someone fall into the water, or see someone in difficulty, call 999.



School uniform

Uniform



Willow Primary Academy sweatshirts and cardigans can be purchased at The School Shop.

The expectation is that children will come to school in the following:

- Plain white polo shirt.
- Plain black joggers, leggings, skirt (with cycling shorts) or shorts.
- School jumper or cardigan with logo on (or a plain navy jumper or cardigan).
- Plain black trainers.



Pride News...

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 – Maddie and Johnny

Ash – Henry and Linda

Birch – Ronald and Lily

Chestnut – Kye and Keeley

Elm - Ava, Alisha and Eliza

Maple – Chelsea and Phoebe

Oak – Archie and Willow

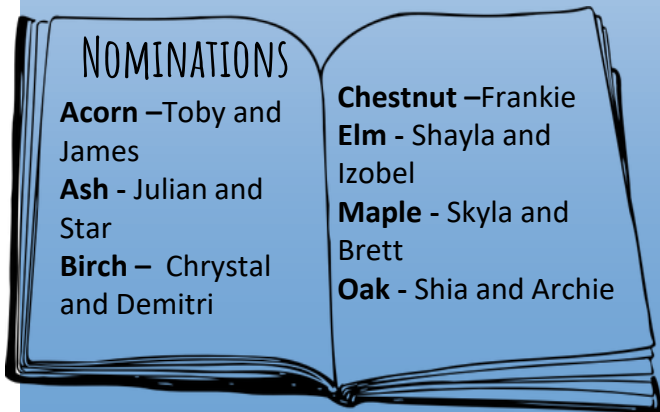
PRIDE Champions





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!



THIS WEEK'S CLASS TOP DOODLERS

ARE:

ASH – CHARLIE, CASEY AND KAILEM

BIRCH – ARCHIE, LILY AND DEMITRI

CHESTNUT – KEELEY, KHADIJAH AND REMY

ELM – CAMERON, ADI AND ALISHA

MAPLE – SHAYLA-RAI, MEGAN AND JAZMYN

OAK – MATTHEW, LACEY AND CAIN



Each week teachers will monitor the activity on Doodle of the children in their class. They will look at the combined number of stars children have earned for all four of the Doodle apps.

Each week the top 3 Doodlers from each class will receive 10 extra PRIDE points to spend in the PRIDE shop.

Keep up the effort with the home learning.

HAPPY DOODLING!!!



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Attendance Superstars

This week: **91.02%**

Our year so far: **91.96 %**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Class	Attendance
Acorn	84.40%
Ash	97.27%
Birch	98.89%
Chestnut	86%
Elm	90.67%
Maple	91.72%
Oak	91.02%



Reminder

Gates are open by 8.45am and close shortly after. Please ensure your child is on time and ready to learn.

If your child arrives late you need to take them to reception and you as the parent must sign them in on the screen.

Thank you for your cooperation





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Dates for Your Diary

Term Dates for 2023 – 2024

Term 1 from Wednesday 6th September 2023 to Friday 27th October 2023

Term 2 from Tuesday 7th November 2023 to Friday 22nd December 2023

Term 3 from Monday 8th January 2024 to Thursday 8th February 2024

Term 4 from Monday 19th February 2024 to Friday 22nd March 2024

Term 5 from Tuesday 9th April 2024 to Friday 24th May 2024

Term 6 from Monday 3rd June 2024 to Friday 19th July 2024

Christmas Bank Holidays	25 th December 2023 26 th December 2023
New Year Bank Holiday	1 st January 2024
Good Friday	29 th March 2024
Easter Monday	1 st April 2024
Early May Bank Holiday	6 th May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday	27 th May 2024
Summer Bank Holiday	26 th August 2024

All term dates can be found on our website [here](#)





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2024/2025 Term Dates

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2024/25



SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER							
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	7	14	21	28	Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tues	3	10	17	24		Tues	1	8	15	22	29	Tues	5	12	19	26	
Wed	4	11	18	25		Wed	2	9	16	23	30	Wed	6	13	20	27	
Thur	5	12	19	26		Thur	3	10	17	24	31	Thur	7	14	21	28	
Fri	6	13	20	27		Fri	4	11	18	25		Fri	1	8	15	22	29
Sat		7	14	21	28	Sat	5	12	19	26		Sat	2	9	16	23	30
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	6	13	20	27		Sun	3	10	17	24	
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY							
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	6	13	20	27	Mon	3	10	17	24		
Tues	3	10	17	24	31	Tues		7	14	21	28	Tues	4	11	18	25	
Wed	4	11	18	25		Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed	5	12	19	26	
Thur	5	12	19	26		Thur	2	9	16	23	30	Thur	6	13	20	27	
Fri	6	13	20	27		Fri	3	10	17	24	31	Fri	7	14	21	28	
Sat		7	14	21	28	Sat	4	11	18	25		Sat	1	8	15	22	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	5	12	19	26		Sun	2	9	16	23	
MARCH					APRIL					MAY							
Mon	3	10	17	24	31	Mon	7	14	21	28	Mon	5	12	19	26		
Tues	4	11	18	25		Tues	1	8	15	22	29	Tues	6	13	20	27	
Wed	5	12	19	26		Wed	2	9	16	23	30	Wed	7	14	21	28	
Thur	6	13	20	27		Thur	3	10	17	24		Thur	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	7	14	21	28		Fri	4	11	18	25		Fri	2	9	16	23	30
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	Sat	5	12	19	26		Sat	3	10	17	24	31
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	Sun	6	13	20	27		Sun	4	11	18	25	
JUNE					JULY					AUGUST							
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	7	14	21	28	Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tues	3	10	17	24		Tues	1	8	15	22	29	Tues	5	12	19	26	
Wed	4	11	18	25		Wed	2	9	16	23	30	Wed	6	13	20	27	
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Sat		7	14	21	28	Sat	5	12	19	26		Sat	2	9	16	23	30
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	6	13	20	27		Sun	3	10	17	24	31

Term Time	Holidays
Bank Holiday	Inset Days

Term 1: Mon 2 nd Sept – Fri 25 th Oct 2024	40 days
Term 2: Mon 4 th Nov – Fri 20 th Dec 2024	35 days
Term 3: Mon 6 th Jan - Fri 14 th Feb 2025	30 days
Term 4: Mon 24 th Feb – Fri 11 th Apr 2025	35 days
Term 5: Mon 28 th April – Fri 23 rd May 2025	19 days
Term 6: Mon 2 nd June – Mon 21 st July 2025	36 days
Total	195 days*

Christmas Bank Holidays	25 th December 2024 26 th December 2024
New Year Bank Holiday	1 st January 2025
Good Friday	18 th April 2025
Easter Monday	21 st April 2025
Early May Bank Holiday	5 th May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	26 th May 2025
Summer Bank Holiday	25 th August 2025

*195 days are defined as "School days". In the school year 2024/25 pupils must attend for 190 days. Schools may decide individually or collectively which 5 days in the year are INSET or non-contact days (days pupils do not need to attend).

Please Note: Schools considering alternative dates or considering changes to their school opening times may wish to contact our Transport Team to discuss transport implications and contact local childcare providers to discuss what impact this could have.



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Dates for Your Diary

School Events

Monday 10th June 2024 – Phonics Screening Check

Tuesday 11th June 2024 – Willow Sports Day (Refreshments being sold)

Wednesday 12th June 2024 – Piper Centre Sports Day (Refreshments being sold)

Monday 24th June 2024 – Acorn class Assembly

Friday 5th July 2024 - Summer Games Afternoon

Monday 8th July 2024 – Wednesday 10th July 2024 – Oak Class Residential

Monday 15th July 2024- Willow and Piper Centre open afternoon. 1:30-2:30pm.

Tuesday 16th July 2024- Willow and Piper Centre Year 6 leavers play. 9:30-11:00am.

Wednesday 17th July 2024- Willow and Piper Centre Year 6 leavers

play. 1:30-2:30pm.

Friday 19th July 2024- Willow and Piper Centre Year 6 leavers assembly. 9:30-10:30am.

