



Pride News...

Headteacher's Message...

Date – 05.07.2024

Dear Families

I just wanted to drop you a quick message to keep you in the loop about what's been happening at school this week. I've been away from school this week, lending a helping hand to another school in need. It's been a busy time, but I'm pleased to report that everything has been running smoothly at our school thanks to the amazing team we have in place.

I want to take a moment to give a huge shoutout to the team for going above and beyond to ensure that the school continues to run like clockwork. From ensuring that lessons are taught to making sure the school environment is safe and welcoming, they've truly done an incredible job.

While I've been away, I've received updates and reports regularly, and I couldn't be prouder of how everyone has come together to support each other and our students. It's moments like these that truly showcase the strength and dedication of our school community.

As we head into the weekend, I want to express my gratitude to each and every one of you for your ongoing support and understanding. Your involvement in your child's education plays a crucial role in their success, and I appreciate everything you do.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. I'll be with Year 6 on their residential next week and look forward to catching up with everyone then before I head off on Monday morning

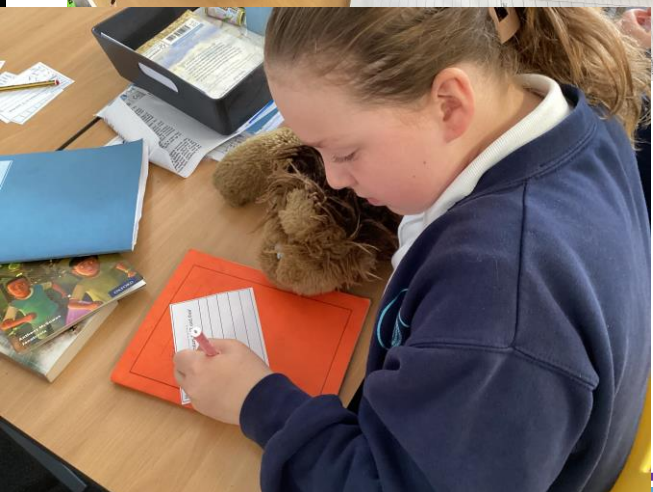
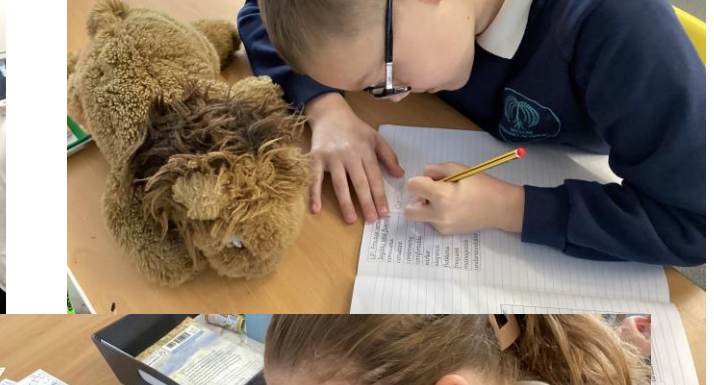
Take care and have a wonderful weekend.

Pete Hales



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Willow's Learning!!!





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



Signposting

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

Activities

Free activities that can be booked online including:

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



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

07340709871

Gloscityhaf.co.uk

 **Glos city HAF**



Juniors

TRAINING OPEN DAY

Sunday 4th August

10:30-13:00

@ WIDDEN OLD BOYS RFC,
TUFFLEY AVENUE, GL1 5NS

BBQ

NEW PLAYERS
WELCOME

MEET THE PLAYERS

WATER FIGHT

FUN GAMES



New playing kit 24/25 season to be given out





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In Other News

Online Safety Tip of the Week



Safeguarding Safety Tip of the Week

Coercive Control

Coercive control is a form of domestic abuse that can often be overlooked. Some examples of coercive control are: controlling and isolating behaviours, using threats and coercion, emotional abuse, or economic or financial abuse. Although it is usually mainly adults who are affected, children can also be impacted by this type of abuse. Some of the impacts may be: parents and carers describing children as quiet, stressed and depressed; behaviour changes including children emotionally and physically abusing parents and siblings; children expressing worries and fears about their parent and carer's coercive and controlling behaviours; some children engaging in self-harm and disruption to children's social and support networks. For more information please see <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/2023/impact-coercive-control-children-young-people>



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.



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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 – Freddie and Dante

Ash – Julian

Birch – Whole class certificate

Chestnut – Whole class certificate

Elm - Lilly-Maye

Maple – Shyanne

Oak – Theo

PRIDE Champions

Ash- Frances

Elm- Marianne

Maple- Jazmyn

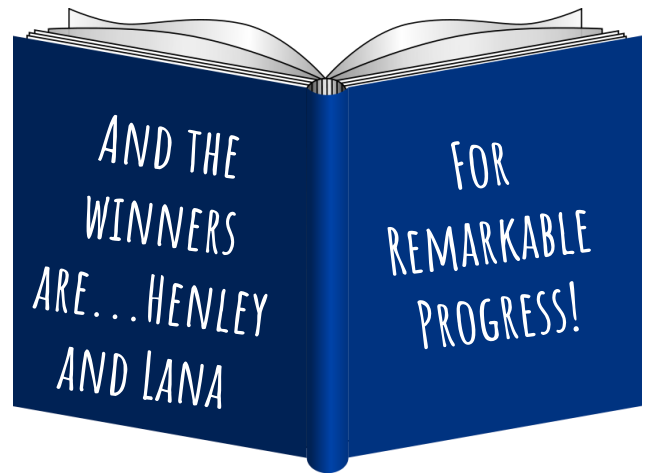
Oak- Morgan





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 – KAILEM, CHARLIE AND SYREESE
BIRCH – HANNA, LILY AND CHARLES
CHESTNUT – KEELEY, AQUAN, KHADIJAH
ELM – ADI, OBIDULLAH AND ALISHA
MAPLE – SHAYLA, MEGAN, EMILY
OAK – VASLAT, LOGAN AND DAVIEN



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

Elm!

This week: 91.77%

Our year so far: 91.85%

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



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Class	Attendance
Acorn	89.66%
Ash	91.85%
Birch	86.86%
Chestnut	89.34%
Elm	99.63%
Maple	84.98%
Oak	97.63%



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](https://willow.sandmat.uk)





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2024/2025 Term Dates

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2024/25



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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*

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*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 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.

