



Pride News...

Headteacher's Message...

Date – 25.10.2024

Dear Families,

We have had such a busy first half term back at school.

Highlights include:

- A variety of class trips out and visitors into school to support topic work
- Two classes attending Cheltenham Literature Festival and meeting famous authors
- Elections of the new Pupil Leadership Team including our Head boy, Sam and Head girl, Summer
- Bikeability in Year 6
- Our Harvest assembly with very generous contributions for the local food bank
- Open afternoons in classes for parents to come along and work alongside their children
- A well-attended parent's evening

As some of you may be aware, Beth Griffin (SENCO) is now on maternity leave. I am pleased to inform you that she gave birth to a gorgeous girl, Freya.

Take care and have a wonderful half term break.

The Willow Team



Pride News...

Willow's Learning!!!



Acorn's week with Willow!



In Other News

School uniform

Uniform



Willow Primary Academy and
The Piper Centre 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 – Ivy and Rory
Ash – Johnny and Jessie
Birch – Sanaiyah-Lee and Syreese
Chestnut – Logan and Chelsea
Elm - Elijah
Maple – Maddie and Calian
Oak – Dawson and Emelia

PRIDE Champions
Lexie - Elm Class





THIS WEEK'S CLASS TOP DOODLERS ARE:

ASH – EZRA, AMELIA AND JOHNNY

BIRCH – CASEY-JOE, PRAISE AND KAILEM

CHESTNUT – CHRYSTAL, CHELSEA, LILY

ELM – REMY, TOMMY AND KEELEY

MAPLE – ADI, SAMUEL AND SKYLER

OAK – DELROY, DAWSON AND SHAYLA



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.

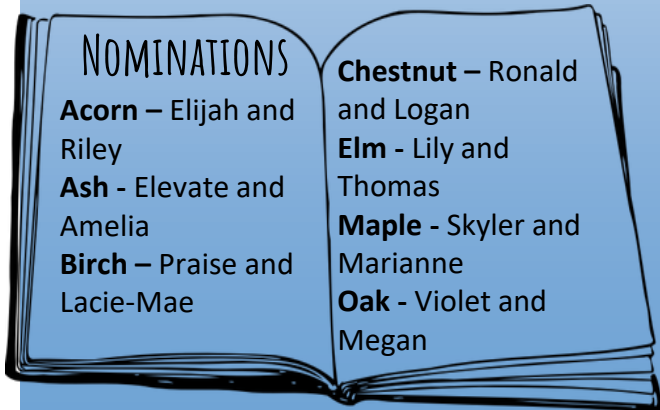
Keep up the effort with the home learning.

HAPPY DOODLING!!!



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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Attendance Superstars
Acorn class
This week: 91.95%

Our year so far: 92.53%

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Class	Attendance
Acorn	98.52%
Ash	95.26%
Birch	91.19%
Chestnut	96.67%
Elm	87.85%
Maple	95.42%
Oak	82.31%



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 2024-2025

Term 1: Wednesday 4th September 2024 to Friday 25th October 2024

Term 2: Monday 4th November 2024 to Friday 20th December 2024

Term 3: Tuesday 7th January 2025 to Thursday 13th February 2025

Term 4: Monday 24th February 2025 to Thursday 10th April 2025

Term 5: Monday 28th April 2025 to Friday 23rd May 2025

Term 6: Monday 2nd June 2025 to Friday 18th July 2025

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

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





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School Events

Children in Need - Friday 15th November 2024

Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 12th December 2024

Willow EYFS / KS1 Nativity - Tuesday 17th December 2024 and Wednesday 18th December 2024 from 9.30 am to 10.30 am

Willow KS2 Christmas Performance - Tuesday 17th December 2024 and Wednesday 18th December 2024 from 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm

Piper Centre Christmas Performance - Wednesday 18th December 2024 from 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm

Christmas Dinner - Thursday 19th December 2024

Willow and Piper Parents Evening - Tuesday 11th February 2025 and Wednesday 12th February 2025 from 3.30 pm to 5.30 pm

Willow Easter Celebration - Thursday 10th April 2025 from 1.45 pm to 2.15 pm

Willow and Piper Centre Open Afternoon - Thursday 10th April 2025 from 2.15 pm onwards

KS2 SAT's Week - Monday 12th May 2025 to Thursday 15th May 2025

Year 4 Multiplication Check - Monday 2nd June 2025 to Friday 13th June 2025

Phonics Screening Check Week - Monday 9th June 2025 to Friday 13th June 2025

Willow Sports Day - Tuesday 17th June 2025 from 1.30 pm to 3.15 pm

Piper Centre Sports Day - Wednesday 18th June 2025 from 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm

Willow Sports Reserve Day - Tuesday 24th June 2025 from 1.30 pm to 3.15 pm

Piper Centre Sports Reserve Day - Wednesday 25th June 2025 from 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm

Willow and Piper Open Afternoon (including reports to parents) - Monday 14th July 2025 from 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm

Willow Year 6 Leavers Play - Tuesday 15th July 2025 from 9.30 am to 11.00 am and Wednesday 16th July 2025 from 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

Willow Year 6 Leavers Assembly - Friday 18th July 2025 from 9.30 am to 10.30 am

