



Pride News...


SAND Parent & Carer Survey 2025

Your voice matters

Dear Parent/Carer,


We are pleased to invite you to take part in the SAND Parent & Carer Survey 2025.

We value your feedback as it helps us to improve our schools and ensure the best possible experience for your child.


 How to participate

Please take a few minutes to complete the short electronic questionnaire by clicking the link below:

 <https://forms.office.com/e/1Y7JRDId52>

 Your responses are confidential

All submissions are anonymous and will be used to inform school improvement. As this is a confidential survey, we are unable to reply to individual responses. However, you can email us at:

 parentcarersurvey@sandmat.uk

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feeding the imagination

Census Day Menu

15.05.25

Hot Dog



Or

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

With



Potato Wedges



Vanilla Ice cream



School Census
Menu - Thursday
15th May



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☀️ Parent & Carer Attendance Survey – March 2025

Thank you to all families who took part in our recent **attendance survey**. Your feedback helps us shape how we support attendance at Willow and ensure every child gets the best from their education.

📊 What You Told Us

✅ Overall Satisfaction

- **88%** of parents are *happy* with their child's attendance.
- **12%** expressed concerns and we're here to help.

🎓 Attendance Matters

- **91%** feel their child's attendance is important.
- **87%** believe missing school affects grades.

📢 School Communication

- **93%** know where to find the *absence policy*.
- **91%** are aware that the school is concerned when a child is off.
- **93%** understand the *reasons children are allowed to miss school*.

⚠️ Consequences & Rewards

- **87%** know the *consequences* of poor attendance.
- **93%** know about the *rewards* for good attendance.

💬 Common Beliefs

- **62%** disagree that "missing school occasionally is fine."
- **16%** of parents said they find it difficult to get their child to school.



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What We're Doing Next

Here's how we're acting on your feedback:



Clarifying Guidelines

- We'll refresh and share NHS guidance on when children should stay home.



Promoting Understanding

- We'll clearly explain **DfE guidelines** and how **attendance contracts** work.



Celebrating Attendance

- Rewards will be advertised more widely: **Class Dojo, Facebook, and in school.**



Offering Support

- Staff will be reminded to signpost families needing help to our *Family Support team*.



Parents' Evening Focus

- An **Attendance Stand** will offer resources, and teachers will share guidance with families directly.



Termly Newsletter

- We'll launch a new attendance newsletter with:
 - Reward schemes
 - DfE guidance
 - Absence reporting reminders
 - School day timings



Need Help?

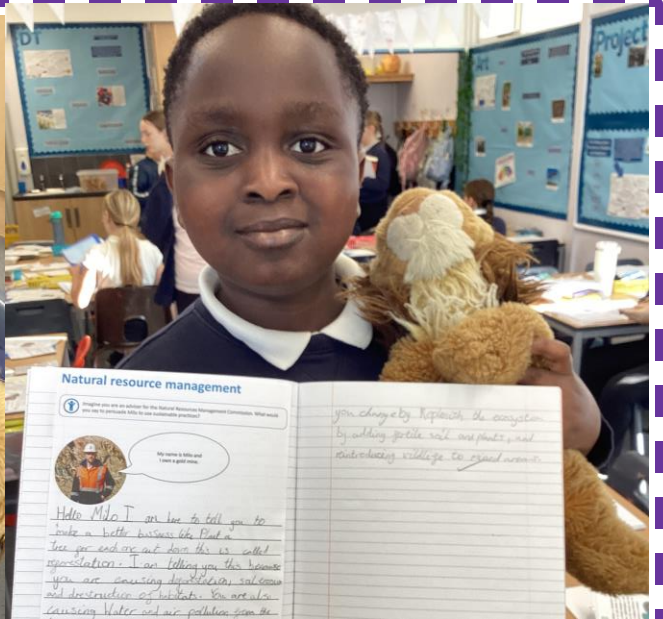
If you're ever unsure about attendance or need support, please speak to your child's teacher or contact the school office.

Thank you for working with us to help every child achieve their best through excellent attendance!



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Willow's Learning!!!





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Attendance Superstars

This week:

Chestnut Class!!!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Class	Attendance
Acorn	92.90%
Ash	92.31%
Birch	88.14%
Chestnut	95.95%
Elm	93.19%
Maple	95.10%
Oak	90.09%



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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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- Matias

Ash- Dante and Kiyah

Birch- Zenaya

Chestnut- Hanna and Lily

Elm- Aquan and Scarlett

Maple- Shayla-Kay

Oak- Kayla

PRIDE Champions

Acorn- Julia

Maple- Zofia

Birch – Henry

Oak - Efe





WILLOW'S STAR READER SPECIAL SURPRISE AWARD

NOMINATIONS

Acorn – Freddie
and Lily

Ash – Amelia and
James

Birch – Lacie-Mae
and Zenaya

Chestnut – Taliyah
and Nimah

Elm - Mason and
Lavinia

Maple - Finley and
Alfie

Oak - Brian and
Delroy



STAR READER...



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 – TYLER, JOHNNY AND ADAM
BIRCH – CHARLIE, EVIE-JOYCE AND
OWEN
CHESTNUT – OLIVER, LILY AND CHARLES
ELM – TOMMY, LILY AND ALFIE
MAPLE – ZOFIA, SKYLA, ADI
OAK – SUMMER, KELSIE AND KAYLA



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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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.



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£2 Entry
Kids free

NEARLY NEW SALE

BUMP, BABY & BEYOND

KINGSWAY COMMUNITY CENTRE
GLOUCESTER GL2 2BG

10AM - 1PM 

2025
SAT 22ND MARCH
SAT 7TH JUNE
SAT 13TH SEPT
SAT 6TH DEC

Quality maternity, baby
& children's clothes,
shoes, toys & equipment.
Refreshments

To book a stall contact Helen Jones
07738115572 email: helen111jones@outlook.com





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RRLTD - Twice Queens Award For Enterprise Winning Textile Recycling Fundraising Scheme - Since 2009

Spring Clean & Donate!



Spring into action with our Clothing Collection Drive!

Donate your unwanted textiles to help us to raise vital funds and support our students to think and act sustainably!

Ways you can help!

- 🌸 Organise a Community Clear-Out with neighbours!
- 🌸 Run a Collection Drive at your Work!
- 🌸 Ask your family and friends to contribute!
- 🌸 Spread the word on social media!



WHAT you can donate!

We've created this list of textile items we can accept and what we can't.



WHERE you can donate!

Our clothes bank is located:



Since 2009, the family-run Roberts Recycling have helped raise over £10million for their charity and school partners through textiles recycling.
Find out more at www.recycle4school.org.uk

WHY you SHOULD donate!

- Raise money for our cause.
- Inspires students to think and act sustainably.
- Helps reduce textile waste to protect the planet.
- RRLTD are accredited members of the UKFT and TRA with over 15 years experience supporting schools.

Thank you for your support!





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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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Dates for Your Diary

School Events

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

Class photos and year 6 leaver's photos – Tuesday 20th 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

Ash class assembly – Monday 16th June

Acorn class assembly – Monday 30th June

Willow Sports Day - Tuesday 1st July 2025 from 1.30 pm to 3.15 pm

Piper Centre Sports Day – Wednesday 2nd July 2025 from 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm

Willow Sports Reserve Day - Tuesday 8th July 2025 from 1.30 pm to 3.15 pm

Piper Centre Sports Reserve Day - Wednesday 9th July 2025 from 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm

Willow and Piper Open Afternoon (including reports to parents) – Wednesday 16th 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 Thursday 17th 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

