



# 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...*

**Ash** – Millie and Axel

**Birch**- Dante and Nevaeh

**Chestnut**- Kacper and Poppy

**Elm**- Archie and Alarah

**Maple**- Scarlett and Aquan

**Oak** – Maddie and Zofia





## WILLOW'S STAR READER SPECIAL SURPRISE AWARD

### NOMINATIONS

**Ash** - Matias and Alana

**Elm** - Oliver and Toby

**Maple**- Oakley and Elijah

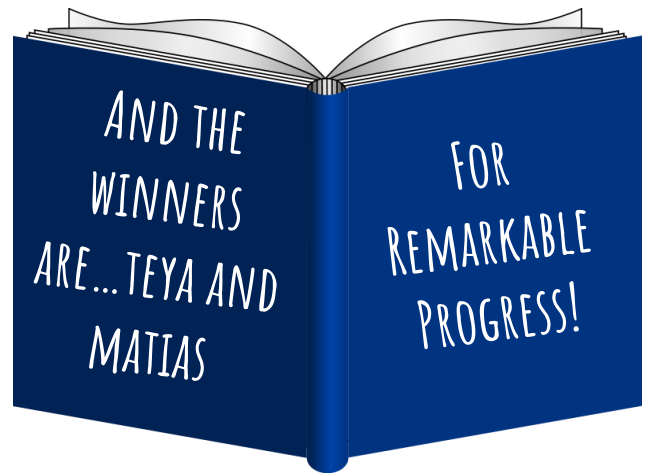
**Birch** – Freddie and Levi

**Oak**- Calian and Teya

**Chestnut**- Kaylah- Jade and Linda



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!



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## Attendance Superstars

This week:

## Oak class!!

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Class	Attendance
Acorn	85.61%
Ash	81.15%
Birch	86.64%
Chestnut	86.96%
Elm	83.27%
Maple	86.36%
Oak	96.45%



### Reminder

Gates are open by 8.40am 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





## 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.



## School Events

- **Carols at St. Barnabas Church (Chestnut and Elm Classes)-** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- **Robin Hood- Panto (Whole School)-** 10th December 2025
- **Carols at St. Barnabas Church (Maple and Oak Classes)-** Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- **Christmas Jumper Day-** Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- **Christmas Dinner Day (Whole school)-** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- **Christmas Holiday-** 20th December-4th January
- **INSET days-** 5th & 6th January
- **Year 6 Residential-** 25th-27th March 2026



<b><u>Term</u></b>	<b><u>School opens on</u></b>	<b><u>School closes on</u></b>	<b><u>Number of days</u></b>
<b>Term 1</b>	Wednesday 3rd September 2025	Friday 24th October 2025	38 days
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 3rd November 2025	Friday 19th December 2025	35 days
<b>Term 3</b>	Wednesday 7th January 2026	Friday 13th February 2026	28 days
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 23rd February 2026	Friday 27th March 2026	25 days
<b>Term 5</b>	Tuesday 14th April 2026	Friday 22nd May 2026	29 days
<b>Term 6</b>	Monday 1st June 2026	Friday 17th July 2026	35 days

<b>Bank holiday</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Christmas Day Holiday</b>	Thursday 25 December 2025
<b>Boxing Day Holiday</b>	Friday 26 December 2025
<b>New Year's Holiday</b>	Thursday 1 January 2026
<b>Good Friday</b>	Friday 3 April 2026
<b>Easter Monday</b>	Monday 6 April 2026
<b>May Day Holiday</b>	Monday 4 May 2026
<b>Spring Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 25 May 2026
<b>Summer Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 31 August 2026

# Texting advice for parents and carers of children aged 5-19 years

**We can help with all kinds of things like:**

- Behaviour support
- Sleep
- Bullying
- Healthy eating
- Bladder and Bowel needs (including toileting)
- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Any other health needs requiring support

Text **ParentChat** now on:

**07312 263059**



[chathealth.nhs.uk/](https://chathealth.nhs.uk/)

**Disclaimer:**

We may inform someone if we are concerned about your safety, or that of your child, but would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other healthcare professionals, who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply within 48 hours. You should receive a message to confirm we have received your text. Texts will not be seen outside working hours. If you need support before hearing back from us, contact your GP, nearest walk-in centre or dial 111. If your child requires urgent medical support or attention, contact your nearest Accident and Emergency Department or call 999. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (this does not include messages from landlines, international mobile numbers, and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To stop receiving messages text 'STOP' to **07312 263059**. Texts are charged at your usual standard network message rate.

# Christmas Tree Recycling



**LONGFIELD**  
Community Hospice

**In Partnership with Just Helping**

Collections 10th -13th January  
Registration Closes 6th January

**JUSTHELPING**  
Registered charity no. 112008

Take the hassle out of disposing of your Christmas tree and have Longfield collect it for a voluntary donation. \*

You will not only be helping reduce your carbon footprint but also supporting your community hospice providing Hospice at Home care and Wellbeing, Counselling and Bereavement Support for individuals facing a life-limiting condition.



\*After costs, over 80% of monies raised will go to Longfield Community Hospice with around 13% going to Just Helping charity and over 5% to other local charities.

**[just-helping.org.uk/register-tree](https://just-helping.org.uk/register-tree)**  
Registered Charity Number 298627



Registered with  
**FUNDRAISING  
REGULATOR**



**GKR KARATE**  
KARATE FOR EVERYONE



**NEW CLASS OPENING**

**KINGSWAY**

**STARTS MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> NOV. 2025**

*KINGSWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL,  
VALLEY GDNS, KINGSWAY, GL2 2AR*

**DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION & FREE UNIFORM FOR NEW MEMBERS!**

CLASSES SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES, ADULTS & CHILDREN (5YEARS+)



FIND OUT MORE INFO:

**07306 443584**

**[region34uk@gkrkarate.com](mailto:region34uk@gkrkarate.com)**

OR SCAN THE QR CODE



# 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.



## Food

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



## Activities

Free activities that can be booked online including:

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



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

[gloshafconnector@gmail.com](mailto:gloshafconnector@gmail.com)

07340709871

[familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk](http://familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk)

 **Glos city HAF**

# Free Winter Activities for Children, Young People & Families

The Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF) returns this winter with lots of fun activities and delicious food available for children and families from **20 December to 4 January**.

HAF activities are available for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. This winter we are also able to extend this offer to any child who may benefit from attending the programme, through our grant funded Holiday Activities Programme (HAP).

**Bookings open from midday on 1 December. Make sure you're ready to book by checking your account now**

[familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk](http://familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk)

Use our handy checklist below to make sure that:

- All your children have an individual profile added to your account.
- Emergency contact details are filled in for each child profile
- Any additional needs or disability information is included for each child profile
- Your details reflect any recent changes (e.g. new address, phone contact details)

Setting up an 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:

T: 07340 709 871

E: [gloshafconnector@gmail.com](mailto:gloshafconnector@gmail.com)

