



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 – Axel and Alfie

Birch- Jackson and James

Chestnut- Giorgio and Alfie

Elm- Chelsea and Emmanuella

Maple- Poppy H and Scarlett

Oak – Skyler and Athena





WILLOW'S STAR READER SPECIAL SURPRISE AWARD

NOMINATIONS

Ash - Kevin and Elijah

Elm - Taliyah and Logan

Birch – Logan and
Keanu

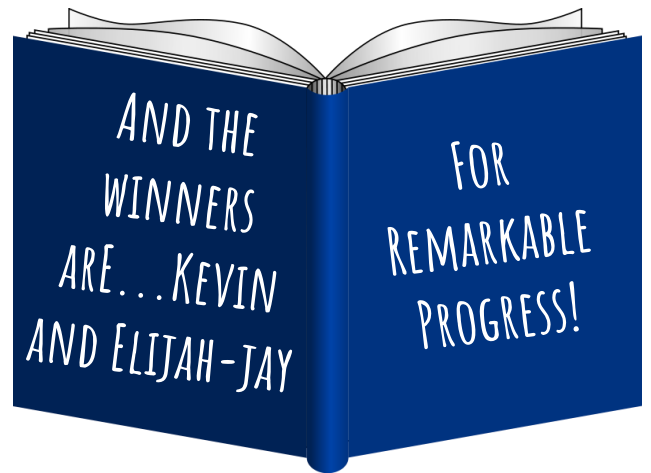
Maple – Lily-Marie and
Tommy

Chestnut- Delilah and
Elijah-Jay

Oak- Skyla and Ava



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:

Chestnut class!!!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Class	
Acorn	93%
Ash	93.8%
Birch	91.5%
Chestnut	94.4%
Elm	87%
Maple	90%
Oak	90.7%



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

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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

- Year 6 Residential- **25th-27th March 2026**
- Book Fair- **Thursday 12th and Friday 13th March 2026**
- Ash Class (Year 1)- **Trip to St Barnabas Church AM**
- Birch class (Year 2)- **Trip to St Barnabas Church PM**
10th March
- Trip to Gloucester Museum (Year 3)- **12th March 2026**
- **Red Nose Day – 20TH March 2026**
- **1pm** Finish on Friday 27th March- (Last day of term)
BOTH WILLOW AND PIPER CENTRE
- Easter Half Term- **Monday 30th March- Tuesday 14th April 2026.**
- INSET DAY- **Monday 13th April**
- Swimming starts for Year 5 & 6 (Friday AM)- **17th April 2026**



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

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



SIR THOMAS RICH'S GLOUCESTER

OPEN MORNINGS

21 April and 22 April

"The culture here is one of belonging and community. As a result, pupils flourish. The personal development of pupils threads alongside the academic learning. Pupils thrive through a wide range of established opportunities designed for their personal growth" Ofsted 2026



We warmly invite prospective parents and pupils to visit Sir Thomas Rich's School for our April Open Mornings.

These events are primarily aimed at **Year 5** boys planning to sit the Gloucestershire Grammar Schools' Admissions Test this September, although pupils from other year groups and their families are very welcome to attend.

Register online, or for enquiries email the school on admissions@strs.org.uk.



www.strschool.co.uk



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CHILDCARE VOUCHERS





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Red Nose Day 2026 will take place on Friday, 20th March 2026. We will be having a non-uniform day that day to raise money. If your child would like to take part, please bring in £1 in a named envelope on the day.

Children are welcome to wear a red nose on the day. These will also be available on a first come, first served basis from the office. Children will be able to buy these from 16th-20th March for £2.50. Again, if your child would like to purchase one, then please bring the money in a named envelope.

Finally, there will be a cake sale after school with the support of Y6 children. Mrs Sullivan will be in contact with more details soon!

Many thanks for your support.