



# 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** – Matias and Millie  
**Birch**- Dante and Aashvee  
**Chestnut**- Charlie and Lila  
**Elm**- Josef and Toby  
**Maple**- Avie and Remy  
**Oak** – Maddie, Phoenix  
and Jacob





## WILLOW'S STAR READER SPECIAL SURPRISE AWARD

### NOMINATIONS

**Ash** - Julia and Alana

**Elm** - Charles and Lily

**Birch** – Ramsey and Molly

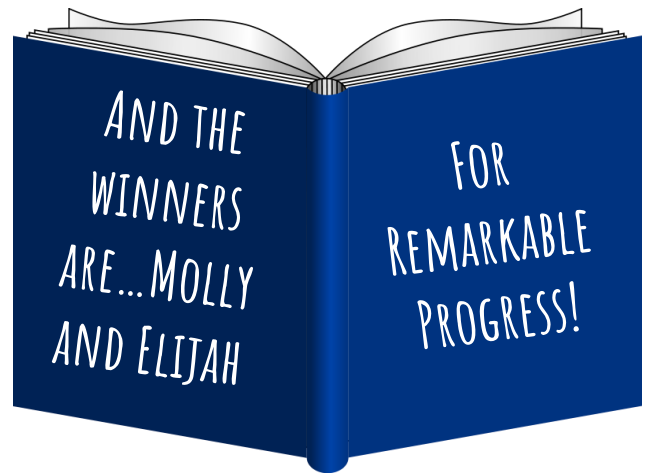
**Maple** – Mason and Elijah

**Chestnut**- Henry and Frances

**Oak** -Brody DG and Oliver



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!!

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Class	Attendance
Acorn	80.92%
Ash	93.60%
Birch	87.90%
Chestnut	92.28%
Elm	87.70%
Maple	94.44%
Oak	96.77%



### 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

- **Year 3 and 4 Swimming- Every Friday morning until Easter Holidays**
- **Year 6 Residential- 25th-27th March 2026**
- **February Half Term- Week commencing 16th February 2026**
- **Parents Evening (Willow)- Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th February 2026**
- **World Book Day- Thursday 5th March 2026**
- **Book Fair- Thursday 12th and Friday 13th 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



**Gloucestershire County Council is offering Bikeability courses during all 2026 school holidays. These courses are designed for children aged 9–14 and help build cycling confidence and safety skills in small groups with qualified instructors.**

**2026 Course Locations & Dates:**

**February Half-Term: Ashley Manor Prep School, Cheltenham**

**Easter Holidays: Bournside School, Cheltenham**

**May Half-Term: Kingshill School**

**Summer Holidays: Skillzone (2 sessions available)**

**October Half-Term: Pineholt Village Hall**

**Course Details:**

**Cost: £10 per course (2 x 2-hour sessions)**

**Bikes: Available subject to availability**

**Booking-**

**<https://forms.office.com/e/vBSvziEEBk>**



## The not so secret book club

by Read  
with me



Join us this half term for a free event with crafts and a treasure hunt inspired by The Owl and the Pussycat, plus a selection of free books to take home and enjoy.

As always, no need to book - just turn up!

**Find us on Robinswood Hill.  
Tuesday 17th February, 11am-1pm.**