



Willow Tree Primary School

'Small school, big heart...nurturing potential, inspiring confidence'

Upcoming Events

Friday 2nd October 2020

- 07/10/20 - Whole school flu nasal sprays.
- 21/10/20- Year 1 eye tests
- 23/10/20—Break up for October half term (1 week)

Highlights of this week...

-Year 1 have been learning all about the body in science!



-Year 2 became history detectives and looked at a range of sources to determine what events they represented!



-Reception have been reading the story 'The Squirrels Who Squabbled' and taking part in lots of activities based around this story to enhance their learning!



Attendance

Reception	4th
Year 1	7th
Year 2	3rd
Year 3	1st
Year 4	6th
Year 5	5th
Year 6	2nd

Well done to Year 3 for winning the weekly attendance.

Keep up the good work!!

Children's University - Further Update

We will again be taking part in Children's University this year. As you may be aware, children previously collected credits for attending after school clubs and had a chance to visit a University to graduate when in Key Stage 2.

This year, after school clubs are limited due to the current pandemic, so collection of credits will be through enrichment lessons in class and Children's University activities which will be sent home at key points in the year. Children can also collect credits for attending clubs outside of school and Children's University have agreed to give credits even if the club isn't signed up to the programme, so be sure to let your child's class teacher know if they attend any clubs.



Congratulations!

This weeks certificates were awarded to...

Class	Thoughtfulness Personal Learning Goal Award	Citizenship Award
Reception	Emily-May	
Year 1	Oscar	Theo
Year 2	Frankie	Leanda
Year 3	Faith	Emily
Year 4	Robbie	Phoebe
Year 5	Alaa	Grace
Year 6	Joseph	Kieren



Message from the Principal...

Thank you to all parents/carers who are taking extra precautions to keep everyone safe around school.

Please remember to take extra care when parking and driving in Bedford Close. It can become busy at drop off/pick up times so please drive carefully and keep your children close by to ensure their safety.

Can I also remind parents and carers to be careful about the language that you use on school grounds and in front of the children. Whilst this is only a small minority of parents, we are aware that exposing children to inappropriate language could lead to them thinking this is normal behaviour and copying these words.

-Mrs Riley

Reading competition winners!

Well done to all of the children who took part in Mrs Williams' dojo reading challenge! A special well done to the following children who completed all 5 challenges:

Kayden, Theo, Jack W, Tony, Rebecca, Amy, Eliza, Ethan, Lucy, Will & Jackson.

Reading for pleasure is SO important. Not only does it support educational achievement, but research suggests that is also improves wellbeing, increases empathy and even improves our social interaction.

READ, READ, READ!

We are going cashless!

After October 23rd 2020, we will no longer be accepting any cash payments to school, apart from Reception class snack payments.

After this date, all payments (apart from the one above) **MUST** be done online via the parent payment portal. We are aware that some parents/guardians have struggled to work the app and if this is the case, please telephone the school office to make us aware of any issues and we will look into this for you. You can now update all personal information on the portal and it is more important than ever to make sure your contact details are up to date to make sure that your email addresses are correct on our system for the parent portal to work.

Home Reading - Further Update

A letter has been sent home this week explaining that we have now made the decision to send reading books home so that your child will have access to a book at their particular reading level. Stringent safety measures will be followed (as detailed in the letter) when sending books home. We ask parents/carers to listen to their child read at every opportunity and talk about the book together. Don't forget to read any other books you have at home too!

Class Dojo

We use Class Dojo regularly to communicate messages and information to parents and carers. We also share pictures of what the children have been doing inside and outside of school on this platform. It would be great if all of our parents/carers could download this app and interact with it. You will even get to see how many points (dojos) your child receives on a daily basis! Ask your child's teacher for the login information if you don't already have it.



Flu Nasal Spray

The flu nasal sprays are due to take place on Wednesday 7th October. If you haven't already, you still have time to return your consent form. The NHS recommend this vaccination to protect your child against flu. Ring the office if you need a new form.

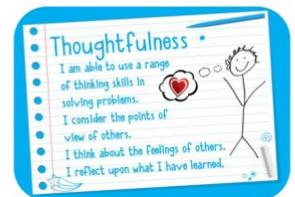


Our School Values

At Willow Tree, we are developing thoughtful children and this week we have been focusing on this Personal Learning Goal. Not only do we want the children to be thoughtful by thinking about the feelings of other people, but we also want them to be thoughtful in their approach to solving problems in their learning.

At home, encourage your child to be thoughtful by helping at home and thinking about the feelings of others. They could help with some household chores or write letters to elderly neighbours.

We would love it if you could share some pictures of your child being thoughtful on Class Dojo!



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