



Willow Bank Infant School Newsletter

Diary Dates :

December:

12th

9:30am: EYFS Play

13th

9:30am KS1 Play

2:15pm EYFS Play

14th

2:15pm KS1 Play

15th

All day: Christmas
Jumper Day

Lunch: Christmas
Meal

19th

2:50pm Carols

20th

Morning: End of
Term Party

Remember:

Please send
your child in to
school in **Party
clothes** (with
sensible shoes)
on 20th
December!

From the Headteacher:

9th December 2016

What a wonderful end to a busy week we have had! The children have performed the first in the series of their Christmas Plays, and I am sure that all who have seen them will agree that they have done marvellously!

It is with great sadness that I inform you that **Mrs Sharma** will be retiring this month. She will be greatly missed, but after many years of teaching, she deserves the opportunity to put her feet up and have a well-earned break! We have appointed Mrs Louise Turner, who will take up her post in April. I am sure you will give her a warm Willow Bank welcome!

A **big thank you** to the lovely staff members who have worked so hard to make the Christmas Productions a success, I have had some wonderful feedback from those who have attended already. For those who are still to attend, I know that you will have a wonderful time!

Some parents have raised queries about the **timings of the plays**, and now that we have had our dress rehearsals, I can confirm that the Foundation play takes just over 15 mins, and that the Year 1 and 2 play is just under 25 mins. All the plays in the morning start at 9:30am and the afternoon productions begin at 2:15pm.

Thank you also to all the parents who have provided me with **feedback** about the newsletter format. I have made relevant changes to the structure here, and am making plans as to how we can also have it appear on Facebook each week, which I understand would make it easier to access. If you have any further suggestions, please do not hesitate to send them into school.

I have also included **a list of class names, teachers and parent representatives**, so that everyone is aware of who they are!

Michelle Masters

From the PTA:

Christmas Fayre - Friday 9th December

The day of the fayre has finally arrived. Please pop along, there is so much for the children to do. We have a chocolate tombola, adopt a teddy, name the reindeer, crafts, cakes and much more. There will also be a raffle with some fantastic prizes including a private family ski/snowboarding lesson, Try dive voucher, Family voucher to Fairy tale farm, Adventure golf voucher and many more. Entry is free and everyone is welcome.

Christmas Cake decorating competition - Monday 12th December.

Children are asked to decorate a cake with a Christmas theme and bring it into the ICT suite from 8.40am on the morning of the competition. Mrs Masters will be judging the competition and awarding a prize based on the children's efforts. There will be a prize for the winner and runner up from each year group. All cakes will then be sold at our cake sale that will be in the hall from 3pm. We will also be selling drinks and 2nd hand uniform after school.

CLASS LISTS

Reception (also known as Foundation or EYFS)

Badgers Class	Miss Clift (Teacher)	Mrs Delaney (Class Parent Rep)
Rabbits Class	Mrs Lamb and Mrs Ogbeide (Teachers)	Mrs Poulton (Class Parent Rep)

Year 1 (in Key Stage 1)

Hedgehog Class	Mrs Merritt (Teacher)	Mrs Hyder (Class Parent Rep)
Owls Class	Mrs Lewis and Mrs Turner (Teachers)	Mrs Nichols and Mrs Davies (Reps)

Year 2 (in Key Stage 1)

Squirrels Class	Mrs Killick (Teacher)	Mrs Dobson (Class Parent Rep)
Woodpeckers Class	Mrs Spencer (Teacher)	Mrs Harding (Class Parent Rep)