

WILLOW BANK INFANT SCHOOL Newsletter

Diary Dates



From the Headteacher

19th December 2017



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3 rd	INSET Day	
4 th	School begins for all children	
16 th	PTA Meeting	
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9th	End of Spring Term 1	
19 th	NSPCC Assembly	
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19 th	Sports Relief Week	
20 th - 22 nd	Parents' Evenings	
23 rd	PTA Disco	
28 th	Martin the Puppet Man	

Parking



Please:

Dance Parents: Please do not park in the staff carpark in the mornings! We need those spaces and have to park in a particular way to fit all our cars in! Please be considerate and park thoughtfully!

Donations

Please:

Please keep donating drawing paper, colouring-in books and any spare Lego or Duplo that you might have, and thank you to everyone who has already donated!

What an exciting term we have had! It is hard to believe that we are at the end of 2017, and that the children are one third through their school year!

Next term promises to be a busy one again, and I have included a Spring Term Checklist below for you all- obviously as the term progresses this list may be subject to

I am pleased to be able to announce that we will be expecting Mrs Killick back at school on Monday 15th January. The first week of school will be covered by Mrs Carmen Smith, a supply teacher who has worked in our school and with Squirrels class before. We are all very sad to be wishing Mrs Ogbeide farewell- Mrs Ogbeide will be moving to a new school in January, and all of us here at Willow Bank are sorry to see her go. We wish her all the very best for the future!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents and children for your lovely cards and generous gifts, it is very kind of you!

Have a lovely Christmas and a happy New Year!

Michelle, Masters

From the PTA



We are very pleased to announce we raised £298 at our Christmas Film night and £150 at our cake decorating competition. Thank you to everyone that supported these events. Last week we were able to purchase 10 new teach the time wall clocks to go around the school as well as donating just over £1000 towards the Norden farm school trip.

January dates for your diaries,

16TH - PTA meeting 7.30pm

19th - Non uniform day (£1 donation)

26th - Family film night

We hope you and your families all have a lovely Christmas and new year. From all of the PTA.

Family Time



EYFS 12th January and 2nd February followed by coffee in the hall, 23rd February and 9th March followed by coffee in the hall.

Year 1 19th January and 9th February followed by coffee in the hall, 2nd March and 16th March followed by coffee in the hall.

Year 2 26th January and 9th February followed by coffee in the hall, 2nd March and 23rd March followed by coffee in the hall.

Sessions will begin at 8:40 when parents and children can look through work or do an activity together in the classroom, and finish at 9:00am when registers are taken and the school day begins.

For the final session of the half term, parents are invited to have coffee or tea with the teachers and Headteacher from 9:00am until 9:30am.

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Happy Birthday to these children!



Congratulations to these children for their awards!



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Spring Term Checklist

3rd January INSET Day- for staff only

4th January Children's first day back at school- Spring Term 1

12th **January** Year 2 Comprehension Groups Begin- Year 2 children are split into small groups across the school to work with teachers in developing their comprehension skills. This happens each Friday morning for the duration of the Spring Term.

16th January PTA Meeting at 7:30pm. Please see PTA section of the newsletter for more information closer to the time.

9th February End of Spring Term 1

12th to 16th February Half Term

19th February Spring Term 2 Begins

19th **February** NSPCC Assembly- children will have a special assembly about keeping themselves safe. A letter to all parents will be sent out before the half term break so you know what will be covered in the assembly.

<u>19th March</u> Sports Relief Week- we will send out a timetable of events covered in this week closer to the time.

<u>20th, 21st and 22nd March</u> Parents' Evenings- times will be made available two weeks before parents' evenings begin.

23rd March PTA Disco- more information to follow, please see PTA section of the newsletter for more details.

28th March Martin the Puppet Man will be in to do a special puppet show for all children.

29th March End of Spring Term 2

30th March to 16th April Easter Holidays

16th April INSET Day- for staff only

17th April Children's first day back at school- Summer Term 1

Farewell and Thank You to Mrs Ogbeide!



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