

## **Diary Dates :**

March:

<u>6th</u>

Yr2 trip to Ufton Court

## <u>8th</u>

School nurse visit-

EYFS (Summer born)

21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>

Parents' Evening

24<sup>th</sup>

Red Nose Day- wear Red to school for £1 donation

# **Remember:**

Please do not let your child play on the school playground equipment before and after school! Thank you.

# Willow Bank Infant School Newsletter

# From the Headteacher:

3rd March 2017

What a wonderful week we have all had- so many exciting things going on in school- we have had some lovely visitors including Cathy Maclennan who spent today working with the children across the school doing very exciting activities!

Next week looks to be just as busy and exciting- as Year 2 will be having their Spring <u>trip to Ufton Court</u>. If you haven't managed to return your permission slip for the visit, please drop it in to school as soon as possible.

The Foundation stage will be having a **<u>pre-moderation visit</u>** from the Local Authority, who visit schools regularly to ensure that our standards and assessments are correct. This visit is just to ensure that we are on track.

<u>**Parents Evening</u>** is nearly upon us again- Forms for booking your appointment time with the teachers will be available in class from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March.</u>

<u>Please do not let your child play on the play equipment</u> before and after school. It is for their own safety!

<u>Please do not park in the school grounds</u> there is very limited space and we need them for the school staff.

Please read the information about Family Time below.

Enjoy your weekend!

Michelle Masters

# Family Time:

Thank you so much to the parents who have given me feedback about the proposed changes to Family Time.

I met with the **<u>class representatives</u>** this morning, and discussed in more detail the reasons behind the need for change.

I am sure that they would be very happy to talk them through with any parents who want to know.

We had a good discussion, and have come up with some lovely ideas to keep the **flow of communication** open between school and parents, which I am investigating how to put into practice.

Please could you **answer the attached survey** to let me know your thoughts on the proposed changes- and if you have any ideas you wish to share.

Thank you!

# From the PTA:

## Spring disco - Friday 24th March

The ballot will be open online until Tuesday 28th February for you to apply for your tickets. Go to <u>www.pta-events.co.uk/willow-bank</u>. Tickets are £3 each. All children must be accompanied by an adult and all adults and children must purchase a ticket.

## Easyfundraising

Join up to easy fundraising and raise money for the school every time you shop online. This includes booking holidays online and making travel arrangements. Sign up at www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/willowbanksa

# Assembly Guide

### Monday: Achievement Assembly

This assembly is run by Mrs Merritt, and focusses on awarding Gem Bear to the children in the class which has collected the most gems during the week. It is also an opportunity for the children who have achieved an award or certificate for activities outside of school (such as swimming badges, Karate belts etc) to show their peers and be celebrated for their achievements.

#### Wednesday: Music Assembly

This assembly is run by Mrs Killick and focusses on developing children's understanding and awareness of music and to teach them new songs.

### Friday: Celebration Assembly

This assembly is run by Mrs Masters and focusses on celebrating the past week's birthdays and children's hard work. Birthday children are encouraged to bring in one card, or one present that they can show their peers. They receive a birthday sticker and card from the school. Children who have worked hard or tried hard during the week receive a Headteacher's certificate and a special Golden Sticker.



Everyone looked marvellous in their World Book Day outfits!

## Parent Survey- Family Time

Are you happy with the proposed changes to Family Time?

Unfortunately, we cannot continue with Family Time in its current format. If you are unhappy with the proposed changes, could you suggest alternative options?-

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Any other suggestions or comments?