



# Willow Bank Infant School Newsletter

## Diary Dates :

### June

5<sup>th</sup> INSET day

6<sup>th</sup> Children return to school

7<sup>th</sup> Open Day for prospective parents

8<sup>th</sup> New Parents Induction Evening

9<sup>th</sup> Film night

## Remember:

Please do not let your children climb on the outdoor equipment before or after school- this includes siblings who do not attend our school.

## ***From the Headteacher:***

***26<sup>th</sup> May 2017***

It was so lovely to see the Year 1 parents during our coffee morning this morning. Thank you all for coming.

The children have had a lovely busy week- some children from each class attended the Woodley Dance festival at Woodford Park, where I heard that they were a credit to our school and performed beautifully. The Year 1 children spent Wednesday at Woodford Park for a Multi-Skills day and thoroughly enjoyed themselves in the beautiful weather. The Year 2 children today have spent the morning at Bulmershe Leisure Centre enjoying an Aquasplash session- they had a wonderful time!

The staff have also been busy- our Foundation Stage was moderated by Wokingham, and I am delighted to say that the Moderators recognised how brilliant the teachers are, and fully supported their judgements. Well done Foundation Teachers! Teachers and Teaching Assistants were also trained on understanding and dealing with Epilepsy in school on Thursday.

Next half term is going to be very busy, with lots to look forward to- including our Sports Day on June 14<sup>th</sup>. More information about it will follow after the half term break.

Have a lovely week! I look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

***Michelle Masters***

## ***Family Time:***

A reminder:

**Year 2:** Family Time will not continue for the Summer Term, in preparation for Junior school.

**Year 1:** Family time sessions for next half term will be 23<sup>rd</sup> June and 21<sup>st</sup> July followed by a coffee session with the teachers and Headteacher.

**EYFS:** Family time sessions for next half term will be 16<sup>th</sup> June and 14<sup>th</sup> July followed by a coffee session with the teachers and Headteacher.

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.

Thank you!

## ***From the Parents Association:***

### **Tea Towels!**

Thank you again to all who ordered some of our lovely tea towels! They will be in book bags when they arrive after half term.

### **Film Night - Friday 9 June - 5.45 - 8.00pm**

***DON'T FORGET*** to purchase your tickets for film night! **£3.00** per child (including a snack and drink) and **50p** per adult. All the family welcome! --- [www.pta-events.co.uk/willow-bank](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/willow-bank)

### **Sports Day - Wednesday 14 June**

We will be serving drinks and snacks - ***help needed!***

From us all on the PTA, we hope you have a fab half term.

### 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. This assembly will happen on a Tuesday if circumstances prevent it from happening on a Monday.

#### 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 Head teacher's certificate and a special Golden Sticker.

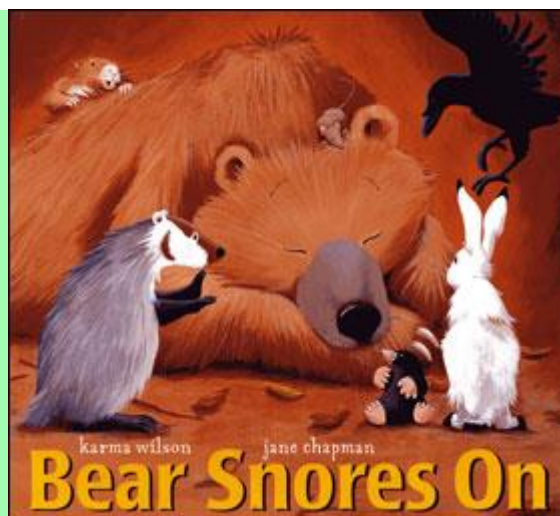
**Please remember to bring in any Sainsbury's vouchers so we can swap them for some lovely new things for the children!**

**Thank you!**

#### Our Favourite Bedtime stories

Mrs Killick's favourite bedtime story is...

'The Bear snores on' by Karma Wilson.



It's a lovely story about a sleepy bear, who is hibernating in his cave. He is fast asleep and misses out on a party with the other animals. A tiny speck of pepper makes him sneeze and he eventually wakes up! I won't tell you what happens in the end. You'll have to read it yourself!