



WILLOW BANK INFANT SCHOOL

Newsletter

Diary Dates



January

31st EYFS Family Time

February

7th Year 1 Family Time

13th Year 2 Windsor Castle Trip

14th Year 2 Family Time

14th Valentines Day Cake Sale

14th End of Spring Term 1

17th-21st Half Term Holiday

24th Spring Term 2 Starts

March

2nd Art Week

5th World Book Day

6th EYFS Family Time and Coffee Session

13th Year 1 Family Time and Coffee Session

20th Sports Relief Day

20th Year 2 Family Time and Coffee Session

From the Headteacher

24th January 2020



We have had a wonderful STEM week, this week! Thank you to the parents, staff and the PTA who made this week possible! The children had a marvellous time in the Space Dome, learning about Space and also, Under the Sea (in Year 2). The maths workshops with the Happy Puzzle Company proved to be a great success also, with lots of wonderful collaborative problem solving going on!

We ended the week with a visit from a STEM parent, who brought some enormous plants into school as part of her presentation.

The PTA have also sponsored our Maths Monkeys, (more about them below!) as part of our STEM week activities.

Unfortunately, there won't be any photographs in today's newsletter of our birthday and certificate-earning children, however, they will hopefully be in next week's newsletter.

Remember at the end of next week on Friday morning, our Reception children will be having their first Family Time. This is an opportunity for parents to come into the classroom with their children, at 8:50am and spend ten minutes with your child looking at the work they have done in school. At 9:00am, children will need to settle into their school day. The following Family Time session will be on Friday 6th March, where it will be followed by an opportunity to join me and the class teachers for a cup of coffee or tea in the hall and an informal chat.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Michelle Masters

Watch out! Our Maths Monkeys have arrived!

Our new members of our school arrived in the cold this week and the children were very excited to meet them! Each class has their very own Maths Monkey to enjoy. Children will be selected randomly to bring the Maths Monkey home with them and to do some real life Maths. When it is your child's turn to bring the Maths Monkey home, please think of some maths they could do together and encourage your child to record it in the diary. More information about the types of Maths activities you could do can be found in the diary. We look forward to seeing what our Maths Monkeys will be getting up to!



From the PTA



Willow Bank Uniform

Before Christmas, we took an inventory of all the second hand uniform we have in the PTA cupboard. Thanks to all of your very generous donations, we had over 250 pieces of uniform (far more than we have room to store).

After sorting through it, we sent all of the 'unsellable' uniform to a school in Kenya, where it has been very gratefully received.

Don't worry, we still have plenty of uniform to sell, and if you're running low on jumpers, dresses, cardigans or PE wear, please get in touch wbis.pta@hotmail.com

Thank you

Thank you to anyone who donated clothes for the Happy School Bags collection- we managed to raise £139.75.

We have two more collections this year – on the 7th May and the 2nd July.

Once again, our 'Break the rules' day proved to be a huge success, raising an impressive £256.

Toy donations for Foundation

Does your child have any Mobilo construction toys that they have outgrown and no longer play with? Miss Clift and Mrs Ogbeide would welcome any donations.

