

WILLOW BANK INFANT SCHOOL Newsletter

Diary Dates

25th Great Fire of London Workshop for Year 2 children 27th Macmillan Coffee Morning (more information to follow) October 1st_3rd Parents' Evening 4th Pantomimus Weekly Music Workshops start for Year 1 and Year 2 11th Year 1 Family Time 18th **PTA Halloween** Disco Year 2 Family Time 18th 24th Harvest Assembly (more information to follow) 24^{th} Last day of Autumn Term 1 for children 25th **INSET** day

From the Headteacher

September

I hope you have all been enjoying the sunshine, although the mornings and evenings are becoming colder and there is a definite feel of Autumn in the air!

20th September 2019

I'm sure you will have seen the workmen in the playground putting in our new play train, and resurfacing the EYFS garden- I know the children have been very keen to go on the new play equipment and use the new road track in the EYFS garden! Today we have had a number of Play workshops run by Primary Workshops on our playground and as part of their workshop all the children have had a chance to play on our new play train! It certainly got the seal of approval from everyone!

Whilst I am aware that the new train is very inviting, please can I remind parents that all children are not to play on the play equipment before and after school- we are not insured for any accidents that may happen at these times. I would also like to thank all the parents who have made the effort to park legally and safely around the school when dropping off or collecting their children, I appreciate that it can mean more of a walk to park safely, but I'm sure you will agree that the safety of children around our school is most important.

Autumn term usually heralds the arrival of a variety of colds and sick bugs. Please remember that if your child has vomited or had diarrhoea they cannot return to school for 48 hours after the last episode of sickness. This is to prevent other children becoming ill and to protect those who have immunocompromised children and other family members.

We still have two vacancies- one for a lunchtime controller, and the other for the Clerk to the Governors- if you know anyone who would be interested, please contact the school office.

Have a lovely weekend!

Michelle Masters

From the PTA

Happy School Bags

Don't forget that our happy school bag collection takes place on the morning of Tuesday 24th September. Please bring all bags of unwanted clothes, shoes etc. to reception **first thing** in the morning. Willow Bank Infant PTA is planning on holding a Christmas jumper sale nearer December, so please keep any

unwanted Christmas jumpers for us instead!

PTA AGM

The PTA AGM will take place at school on Tuesday 24th September at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome and it is a great opportunity to come and share your ideas, offer your support and meet a really friendly team.

Eco Party Pack Hire

As you may know, last year the PTA invested in a set of reusable party tableware that we hire out to Willow Bank parents. It proved to be incredibly popular and was hired out most weekends. So if you have a child's party coming up and you are conscious about the amount of single-use plastics (disposable plates, cups and bowls) that end up in landfill after a child's party, then please get in touch. Our reusable tableware is incredibly cheap too- only £5 per hire- what a bargain!

The collection currently consists of 60 cups, 60 plates, 12 small bowls, 60 cereal bowls, 6 platters, 4 serving trays and 2 jugs and you can hire as much or as little as you need.

We are now taking bookings, so if you are interested in hiring out our 'Eco Party Pack', please email <u>wbis.pta@hotmail.com</u>



Happy Birthday to these children!



Congratulations to these children!



Owing to the Play Workshops, today's birthday and certificate photographs will appear in next week's newsletter.

Autumn Term Checklist

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