



Willow Bank Infant School Newsletter

Diary Dates :

April

18th INSET DAY for staff only

19th Children return to school

24th Pantomimus Music Workshops begin for 5 weeks

26th Scooter Session

27th Scooter Session

27th School Nurse to see Summer Born children

28th Non-uniform Day

Remember:

Please be considerate when parking outside the school grounds- and please do not park in the staff car park!
Thank you!

From the Headteacher:

31st March 2017

It is unbelievable how quickly this term has flown by- mainly because we have all been so busy!

Easter Assembly: Thank you so much to all the parents who joined us today for our Easter Assembly, I am sure you will agree that the children sang and spoke beautifully. A special thank you also to Rev. Eddie from St Johns who joined us today.

SATs Information Session: A number of parents weren't able to join us for the SATs Information Session, so we have put the presentation on our school website for you all to read. If you have any questions after reading the presentation, then please feel free to contact Mrs Killick or me.

STAFFING CHANGES

I am delighted to announce that we have secured a teacher for our Year 2 Woodpeckers Class! Everyone at Willow Bank extends a warm welcome to Miss Alana Moore, who will be taking on the full-time role of Year 2 teacher from 18th April. Miss Moore is an experienced teacher, who has taught across Year 1 and 2. She most recently has been helping us in Year 1 in Owls Class, and we are pleased to be adding her to our staff roster on a more permanent basis.

Family Time:

Please read the information about Family time below.

I would like to wish you all a wonderful and peaceful Easter Holiday!

Michelle Masters

Family Time:

We will be trialling the proposals outlined in my previous letter from next term.

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

Year 1: Family time sessions on Friday 5th May and Friday 26th May (which will be followed by a coffee session with the teachers and Headteacher)

EYFS: Family time sessions on Friday 28th April and Friday 19th May (which will be followed by a coffee session with the teachers and Headteacher)

The sessions will begin at 8:40 when parents and children can enter the classrooms and look through work or do an activity together, 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!

Classroom Quotes:

Year 2- Easter Eggs:

Adult- "You don't want to eat too much chocolate"

Child- "I do!"

Year 1- Easter Topic:

"I can smell the Easter Bunny's footprints!"

EYFS- Easter Topic:

"I'm an Easter bunny, although I haven't got any chocolate eggs!"

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 Head teacher's certificate and a special Golden Sticker.

From the PTA:

Thank you to everyone for the continued support this term. We have raised £2961. And have been able to fund a bug hotel, magnifying posts, Wet play toys for year 1, Small world toys for foundation, An author visit, Martin the puppet man visit and Chocolate eggs for an Easter egg hunt.

If you have helped us this term, by baking a cake or helping at an event, then please look into Fundmatching with your employer. Many companies including large supermarkets and banks offer a fundmatching scheme. Normally it's as simple as completing a form and providing a letter from the PTA and the employer will match the funds raised.

Clothes aid

Bags 2 school are collecting from us after the Easter holidays. So if you are having a clear out please bag up any good quality unwanted clothes or accessories. We get a fee based on the weight of our collection and the clothes are then recycled by clothes aid.

Cake and 2nd hand uniform sale

We will be holding a cake and second hand uniform sale on Friday 21st April from 3pm. Donations of homemade or shop bought cupcakes/biscuits will be much appreciated. Please bring any donations into the ICT suite from 8.40am on the Friday. Thank you.

Happy Easter!





Congratulations to these children for earning their awards!



**Congratulations to these children
for their winning entries in the
Easter Egg Design Competition:**

Woodpeckers: Chloe Matthews

Squirrels: Dylan Quinnell

Hedgehogs: Rylee Phillips

Owls: Anaya Kayani

Rabbits: Cora Morris

Badgers: Rayyan Ahmad

Thank you to the PTA for providing the Easter Egg Prizes!

This Week's Wow Moments!!

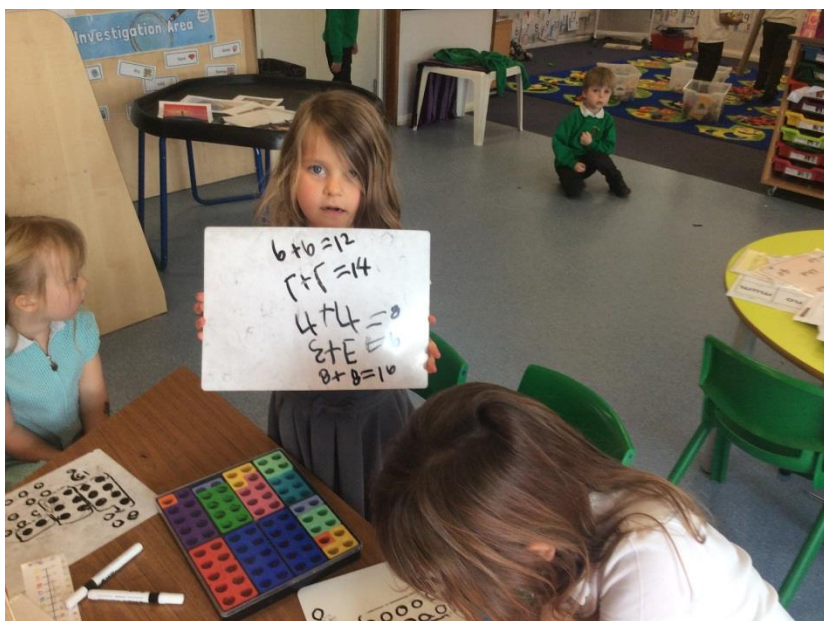
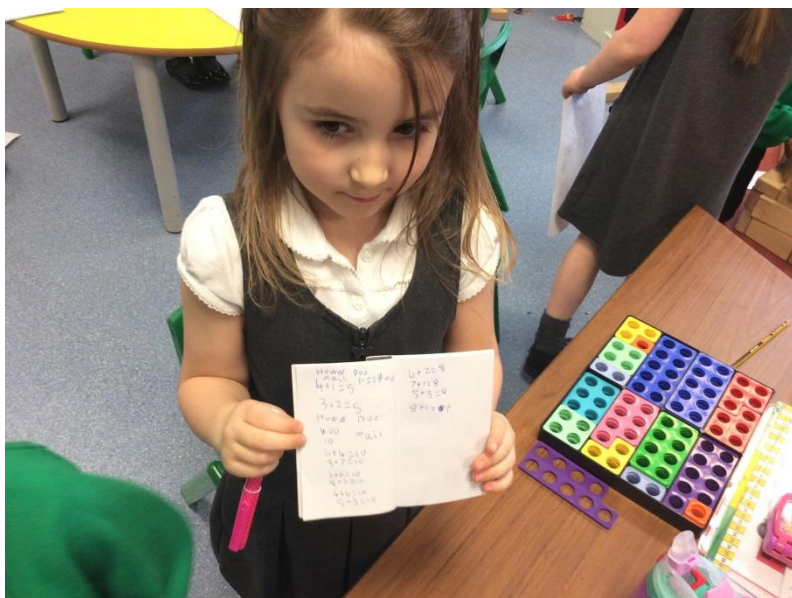


Year 1 Castles





EYFS Maths Investigations





Year 2 Easter Egg Hunt