

The Willows Primary School and Nursery

Celebration Newsletter

Friday 13th December 2024



THE WILLOWS
PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

Another busy week here full of music and singing!

Firstly, the choir visited Asda and sang for it's customers. Then Mr. Coulson's band club treated us to some festive songs and some real left field choices! As ever, their enthusiasm and willingness to perform in front of a real crowd this time was fantastic. The choir again supported. Then last night, the choir sang at Christmas in the Park at Gloucester Park. If that was n't enough, we also had the Nursery and EYFS Christmas craft afternoons, where we also snuck in some carols and some singing!

School is much more than Maths and English. It is about friendships and finding something that you really enjoy and are excited about. That could be art, sport or music. Hopefully, these events ignite a fire in some of our children!

We have had Christmas Jumper Day and hope to raise some money for Save The Children; if you haven't already donated and you wish to, please use our link provided.

It really feels like Christmas now which is good, as it is only 11 days away!

Have a great weekend and we'll see you for our last week.

Mr T Robinson

Headteacher

The Willows Primary School

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates today.

1L Finn for always trying to cheer his friends up with his great sense of humour.

1PR Freya for showing us your great sense of humour and making us laugh.

1H Lucas for always having a great sense of humour and making your friends laugh.

2D Herkus is always making the class laugh and smile with his jokes and funny stories. Thank you Herkus!

2SB Uthman for his lovely sense of humour and making us smile every day.

2T David is always making us smile in class! He is funny and enjoys making his friends laugh.

3S Danny for always brightening our day with an infectious smile and unique sense of humour.

3D Rosie for having an amazing sense of humour and always finding a way to make things fun!

3CH Scarlett has a great sense of humour and makes others laugh around her.

4I Edi for having a great sense of humour and making others laugh, he is always able to put smiles on our faces!

4H Daniel for having an incredible sense of humour and putting a smile on everyone's face!

4B Theo for always making your classmates laugh and bringing cheer to the classroom.

5F Vlad for always wearing a cheeky grin and making myself and the class laugh.

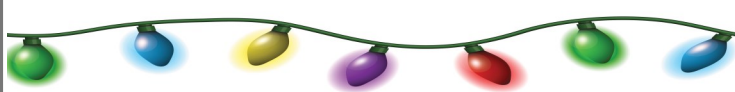
5J Oliver for having a fantastic sense of humour and always managing to make me laugh!

5W Brody for your wonderfully cheeky sense of humour that always catches us off guard!

6F All of 6F for excellent effort and improvement in everyone's practice SATs scores! Keep it up!

6B Charlie for always sharing his fantastic sense of humour and brightening everyone's day.

6W Louie for always making people smile with his bubbly character and humorous nature.



Reporting Absence

Please report child absences using the

Willows **PA Connect** app.

The school must be informed **EVERY** school day that the child is absent.

Please ensure that you have reported your child's absence **by 8.30am**.

Attendance fact of the week:

Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.

That's why school attendance is so important and why the Government is committed to tackling the issues that might cause some children to miss school unnecessarily.

Attendance for this Week

Weekly – 91.2% **KS1** - 91.6%

Yearly – 94.4% **KS2** - 91.0%

Superstar Readers of the Week

Key Stage 1 2T - 79

Lower Key Stage 2 4I - 81

Upper Key Stage 2 5W - 96



Superstar Writers of the Week

Yr1— Jenson, Hannah, Ava

Yr2— Elsie, Diana, Isla

Yr3 — Harrison, Tommie, Gio

Yr4 — Emily, Nola, Scarlett

Yr5— Sophie, Dhanush, Armani

Yr6— Annabelle, Jacob, Poppy



Star Readers of the Week

Yr1— Zoe, Evelyn, Naomi

Yr2— Isaac, Jediah, Arda

Yr3— Emilie, Hudson, Teddie

Yr4— Alfie, Tania, Meghna

Yr5— Noah, Hayden, Jake

Yr6— Elsie, Vanessa, Sienna



The Willows Choir have been extremely busy and even after all of their performances this week, they were still singing on the coach back to school this morning. They have done extremely well and we are all very proud of them!



Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 18th December



BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – JOB VACANCIES

DOWNHAM – MIDDAY ASSISTANT closing date 13th December

DOWNHAM – PART TIME CLASS TEACHER (FIXED TERM MATERNITY COVER) closing date 20th December

MERRYLANDS – MIDDAY ASSISTANT closing date 7th January

MERRYLANDS – SEND LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT closing date 7th January

WILLOWS – ASSISTANT COOK closing date 10th January

For more information and to apply for any of our roles, please follow the link to our website [Vacancies - Berlesduna Academy Trust](#)

Our Core Values: Respect, Responsibility, Courage, Hope, Justice, Compassion, Integrity, Wisdom

The vision of the Berlesduna Academy Trust is to create and foster a culture of high aspiration, enjoyment for learning, academic success and lifelong skills amongst all pupils, regardless of their social, economic or cultural background.



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Primary



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