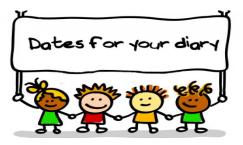
Willow Tree Primary School

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Friday 3rd March - Dress Up for World Book Day Tuesday 14th - Friday 31st March - KS2 Farm Visits Friday 17th March - Red Nose Day Tuesday 21st & Wednesday 22nd March - KS1 Library Visits Friday 31st March - Break up (1 hour earlier) Monday 17th April - Re-Open Monday 1st May - May Day Bank Holiday Monday 8th May - Coronation Bank Holiday Monday 15th May - Class Photographs **Tuesday 9th May - Y6 SATs week** Friday 26th May - Break Up Monday 5th June - Re-Open Monday 5th June - Parents Evenings **Thursday 8th June - Parents Evenings** Monday 26th June - INSET Day **Tuesday18th July - Y6 Production 6pm** Wednesday 19th July - Sports Day Friday 21st July - Break Up (1 hour earlier)

Starting Nursery 2023

If you would like your child to start Little Oaks at Easter, Summer or September this year, please ensure you put their name on our waiting list *as soon as possible*. Email nursery@willowtree.nsat.org.uk or call 01423 883551.

Appointments During School Hours

Parents and carers are required to let school know *in advance and provide evidence* of appointments during school hours. Acceptable forms of evidence are a letter, appointment card or confirmation text.

Appointments during the school day impact your child's learning. Most routine appointments can be made after school or during the holidays.

Please make any routine medical, dental or opticians appointments outside of school hours whenever possible.

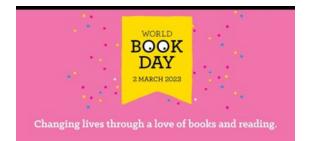


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World Book Day

Children can dress up as their favourite book character on **Friday 3rd March**, to celebrate World Book Day. Their costumes can be either home made or bought.

There will also be a book swap on that day so that children can bring in a book from home that they would like to swap with another child. Books to be brought in on the day please.





Mrs Mawhinney gave birth to a baby girl in the half term holidays.

Congratulations!

Y5/6 Football Tournament

Well done to the 6 children that took part in the Premier League Primary Stars U11 Girls Tournament at St John Fisher's. The girls played really well together, they showed good teamwork and motivated each other in every game. They got through to the semi-final of the competition and only lost the semi-final 1-0!

Also, well done to Freya and Evelyn who received a certificate from the Harrogate Town coaches for showing an ambitious attitude and great teamwork throughout the competition.

Well done girls, you represented Willow Tree excellently!







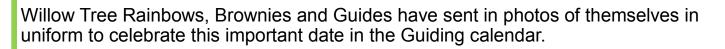
Celebrating Achievements

Don't forget to tell us about any achievements or exciting things that your children take part in out of school. These could be anything from sporting events, fundraising activities, community involvement, a special trip or anything that makes your child proud!

Email *victoria.cox@willowtree.nsat.org.uk* with details and include a photo if you'd like!

World Thinking Day 22nd February 2023

Celebrated since 1926, World Thinking Day is a day of international friendship. It is an opportunity to speak out on issues that affect young women and fundraise for 10 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts in 150 countries.





Katy in Cedar, Mia in Hawthorn and Anna in Silver Birch had a great time in Half Term at Brownie Camp. They are from 13th Harrogate and 6th Knaresborough Brownies.



Susannah and Mia from Hawthorn and Olivia from Larch attend 4th Bilton Brownies, where they keep very busy earning badges, building friendships and each have the role of Sixer. They really enjoyed celebrating with fellow Brownies from the Harrogate area on World Thinking Day. Units joined together in a special meeting to share in activities and to renew their promise.







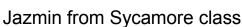
Poppy in Chestnut in her Rainbows uniform. She is wearing her superhero outfit made out of recycling for her Recycling badge.

Natalia from Cedar class



Mia from Walnut Class







Alice in Cedar, 13th Harrogate Brownies

Lucy & Amelia from Acer class making their Guide Promise



The nearest unit to Willow Tree is 13th Harrogate who have Rainbow and Brownie spaces available. Head to girlguiding.org.uk for information on how

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Abbey in Holly class



Xanthe from Cedar class, 13th Harrogate Brownies

Special Trip

Bodhi in Lime and Sienna in Cedar visited their family in Sri Lanka during half term and learnt a lot about the Sri Lankan culture, religion and way of life.



Sienna learning how people use coconut in their cooking in her Great Aunt's kitchen. She is using a special machine to scrape the coconut flesh out of the coconut so it can be used in cooking later.

Bodhi & Sienna visited a turtle sanctuary that saves sea turtle eggs and keeps the baby sea turtles for 3 days before releasing them to give them a better chance of survival.



Bodhi watched elephants helping to move fallen trees in a park in the capital Colombo





Bodhi with a giant statue of Buddha

Religion is a big part of life for lots of Sri Lankans. The main religions are Buddhism, Hinduism, Christianity and Islam, but many of them incorporate elements of various religions into their practice, worshipping gods from different religions.

Champions of the Week

Ash	Aria	Cherry	Tyler	Hawthorn	Imogen
Chestnut	Jaxon	Cedar	Aliza	Larch	Lucas
Lime	Elizabeth	Maple	Oscar	Silver Birch	Stanley
Spruce	Tiago	Rowan	Louie F	Walnut	Tony
Hornbeam	Oliver	Sycamore	Ethan	Acer	Frankie
Holly	Sienna	Elm	Taylor		



Dates coming up for your diary:

2nd March - Bedtime Stories (EYFS & KS1)
14th March - Easter goody bags go on sale
17th March - Daffodil sale for Mothers Day at Willow Treat
28th March - Bag2School clothes recycling collection
30th March - Glow Disco (Lower & Upper KS2)
31st March - Easter Bonnet Competition



More dates will follow soon for events planned for later this year. Watch this space!

Willow Treat

We are still looking for volunteers to help on occasion at Willow Treat on a Friday at pick up time. Please consider giving 30 minutes of your time to help ensure we can continue to run this treat for the kids.

If you would like to see Willow Treat continue please think about offering your help. It doesn't have to be every week - we just need a group of helpers who can dip in and out on the occasions we cannot cover the sale. Even if you are one of the parents queueing up outside school early at pick up and see us setting up - please consider offering your time to help us carry stock across!!

Glow Disco

We will be running this fun UV event on the evening of Thursday 30th March in conjunction with Rascals Entertainment for all children in year 3 and up. This will be a ticketed event - full details will follow soon with how to book.

Bag2School Recycling

The next collection is Tuesday 28th March - see poster at the end of this newsletter for full details of what we can and cannot accept

Easter Bonnet competition

We will be holding an Easter Bonnet decorating competition and parade on Friday 31st March for all children to participate in. We will be selling bonnets in the lead up to this so start having a think about what decorating ideas you can come up with! Full details coming soon!

Amazon Smile

Thanks to those of you who supported Willow Tree PTFA through the use of Amazon Smile. This has now been closed down by Amazon. We are looking into alternatives such as Easy fundraising - more details will follow...

Second Hand Uniform and Winter Coats

We still hold a huge stock of all second hand uniform and winter coats- this is all in great condition - if you need to stock up on your supplies please consider coming to us first before buying new! We sell at a fraction of the cost and all proceeds go back to the school! Please contact us via our FB group or by email to <u>willowtreepta@gmail.com</u>

Parent Carer Forum



WHO WE ARE

We are the recognised Parent Carer Forum for North Yorkshire, supporting families with children and young people (0-25 years) with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND)

WHAT WE DO

We work to ensure that lived experiences, voices and views of Parent Carers are represented in decision making, service design and process improvement for SEND, Health and Social Care across our County.

We run virtual and face to face events, training and information sessions across North Yorkshire which inform and empower Parent Carers. We have a dedicated 'events' section on our website along with regular event posts on Facebook.

CONTACT US

For more information and to become one of our members, please visit **www.parentcarervoiceuk.org** or 'scan the QR Code'



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