

Willow Tree Primary School

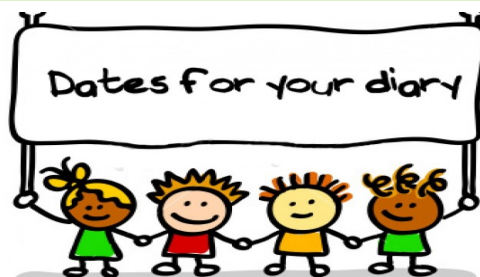
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Monday 8th May - Coronation Bank Holiday

Friday 12th May - Walk to School Day

May/June/July - Y1/2 Class Visits to Corn Close Farm

Tuesday 9th May - Y6 SATs week

Monday 15th May - Class Photographs

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

Tuesday 18th July - Y6 Production 6pm

Wednesday 19th July - Sports Day

Friday 21st July - Break Up (1 hour earlier)

INSET Days Next Year

The Governors have agreed to change the INSET days which we had set for next year at Mr Mold's (new Headteacher) request.

They will now be:

Mon 4th September

Tues 5th September

Friday 27th October

Monday 8th January

Monday 22nd July

We apologise for any inconvenience.

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Classes Next Year

This is the time of year when we begin to make plans for classes for next year. Every year parents come to see me after the new class lists have been published with concerns about friendships, where children have been placed together or apart, issues between families, etc. Changing classes at this late stage is almost impossible as we have worked really carefully to place children in particular groups that the teachers believe are best for them knowing them as they do in school. If you have very strong feelings about what is best for your child please let me know **in writing now**.

For your information the teachers will always ensure that friendships are taken into account and the children themselves give us a list of friends before the process takes place. I am therefore not expecting parents to give me a list of their child's 'best friends' but to let me know if they have any genuine concerns or issues which we may not be aware of. If you have twins please could you let me know in writing whether you would like them placed together or separately.

We DO NOT take requests for specific teachers or whether or not your child is placed in a mixed age class. We will not be making any changes to class lists after they are published in early July. **All letters of concern should be received by 12th May** and whilst we will give every consideration to your request we must advise you that for various reasons it may be impossible to accommodate every request.

BREAKFAST CLUB

SATS Week Breakfast Club

There will be a Breakfast Club for Year 6 during SATs week. This will be held in Drummond Hall at 8.30am Tuesday to Friday.

Breakfast will be provided free of charge to all our Year 6 pupils and all are welcome. There will be a choice of croissants, chocolate chip brioches, cereal bars and fruit. Many thanks to Lidl for donating some of the breakfast items.

Children do not have to eat the breakfast, but it is a time to socialise with friends and provide light relief before the tests begin. We will endeavour to meet dietary requirements. We look forward to seeing your child there.



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Special Achievements



Congratulations to Maisie in Sycamore class who last week won Player of the Week at football playing for the Under 9 team at Scotton Scorchers. This week Maisie got her Tap dance exam results and her 5 year Dance Award! Well done Maisie.



Evie in Cherry class visited the York Bird of Prey Centre last weekend and learnt all about the birds as she watched them in a flying display. She got to stroke a golden eagle and handle some owls! What a fantastic experience.



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!

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Sporting Achievements

Year 3/4 Rounders

Well done to the Y3/4 Rounders Team that represented Willow Tree at the inter-school tournament held at Bilton Cricket Club.

They came joint first out of 10 teams! Oscar, Miles and Ephron were awarded wristbands for determination, teamwork and communication. They were cheering other children on - even children from different teams!

They all gave their best effort and did a brilliant job of representing the school. Well done!



Walk to School Day

Next Friday 12th May is Walk to School Day. If you can, please leave the car at home and walk to school.

If you don't live within walking distance of school, please park a little further away and make the rest of the journey on foot.

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Champions of the Week

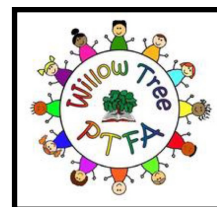
Ash	Walter	Cherry	Nana	Hawthorn	Harry
Chestnut	Ruby	Cedar	Alice	Larch	Isabelle
Lime	Alesis	Maple	Marnie	Silver Birch	Emily
Spruce	Isabella	Rowan	Zak	Walnut	Rose
Hornbeam	Emilia	Sycamore	Kayla	Acer	Leon
Holly	Migle	Elm	James		



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PTFA Newsletter



Dates coming up for your diary:

19th May - Rainbow Warrior Run
7th June - Small Change challenge
7th July - Summer Fair
17th & 18th July - Year group summer parties
20th July - Year 6 leavers summer party

Rainbow Warrior Run

Thank you to those who have already booked their places onto the event! We ask that if you are looking to join in that you book on as soon as possible so we can gauge numbers and order the supplies accordingly.

THE BOOKING LINK IS ON THE PTFA FACEBOOK PAGE/SENT VIA EMAIL BY THE OFFICE LADIES/
PAPER COPIES AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE

OVERVIEW

We are very excited to announce a brand new event to the school events diary this year! On Friday 19th May from 4pm we will be putting on our first RAINBOW WARRIOR RUN for all children, teachers, siblings, parents, carers and friends who may wish to join you!

This will be about a 1km fun run/walk around the school field – this will be interspersed with obstacles for you to navigate. At each obstacle along the way you will be doused from head to toe with coloured powder resulting in a rainbow of colour!

We are very lucky to have the fire brigade coming along to support with the event and spraying down participants to add to the fun!!

THE EVENT

We will be setting participants off in several waves starting with our younger runners. Parents/carers, friends and family are all invited to come along and take part in the event and enjoy the fun – the more the merrier!! Please note the waves are for guidance only – you can choose whichever wave suits best.

WAVE 1 – 4.30pm – Early years / Foundation stage (Little Oaks & Reception)

WAVE 2 – 4.50pm – Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

WAVE 3 – 5.10pm – Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)

WAVE 4 – 5.30pm – Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 & 6)

WHAT TO WEAR

It is recommended that participants wear a white t-shirt for the full effect of the powder however this is not compulsory! We also request that eye protection be worn by all – this can be swimming goggles, sunglasses, safety goggles etc....

The powder used is organic and is not harmful to people, animals or plant life. It will wash out of clothes and skin.

WHAT ELSE WILL THERE BE AT THE EVENT?

Bar serving alcohol & soft drinks

NY Smokehouse Wood Fired Pizza Van (**menu can be found on our social media**)

Ice Cream Van

Bouncy Castle

Tuck Shop

Tombola

Merchandise to jazz up your Warrior outfits

Music



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HOW TO TAKE PART

Complete the waiver form (see link on PTA Facebook post/email sent home or pick up a paper copy of the form at the office). Please ensure that you include the full name of all participants and advise which wave you wish each one to run with. If you are trying to register more than 6 participants please use additional forms as necessary.

Make payment to the PTFA bank account or via cash to the school office.

The entrance fee is £5 per person and will include a memento of the event for each participant

Willow Tree Primary School PTA

Virgin Money

Account no – 16943761

Sort Code – 05 04 54

Please use RWR AND YOUR SURNAME as reference on the payment

Cash to the front office in a sealed envelope with your contact details clearly marked.

We would also love it if you would like to raise extra funds for the PTFA by gathering sponsorship for the event. Forms will be available to collect from the front office at school and an electronic version will be available on PTFA Facebook page.

Please note that in the event of high winds or thunderstorms the event may be postponed.

VOLUNTEERING AT THE EVENT

AS ALWAYS WE RELY ON THE SUPPORT OF PARENTS/CARERS TO HELP WITH THE SETTING UP/CLEARING DOWN AND RUNNING OF THE EVENT. PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING SOME OF YOUR TIME ON THE DAY TO ASSIST US IN SOME WAY. WE WILL ALWAYS ENSURE YOU GET TO SPEND TIME WITH YOUR CHILDREN AND ENJOY THE EVENT BUT YOUR HELP MEANS THAT THE PTFA ALSO GET TO SPEND SOME TIME WITH THEIR CHILDREN!!

IF YOU WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO HELP ON A STALL FOR A WHILE/SIGN PEOPLE IN/THROW POWDER PLEASE GET IN TOUCH VIA FACEBOOK/EMAIL OR SEE US IN THE PLAYGROUND. THANK YOU!

Obstacle Sponsorship for RAINBOW WARRIOR RUN

A huge thank you to our wonderful parent's companies who have pledged their support for the event by sponsoring an obstacle. This goes a long way to helping us put an event such as this on for everyone to enjoy!

Future Lioness

North Residential

Gary Bartle Personal Training

Woodlands Windows

Vitsa Dental

Heritage Now

Malika Jane Photography

First Point Surveys

and

Emily Watson who will be supplying us with balloon decorations for the event!

If you would still like to be involved it isn't too late - please contact us on the PTA email at willowtreepta@gmail.com or grab one of us at school!

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Small Change Challenge

Launching on Wednesday 7th June our SMALL CHANGE CHALLENGE sees each class competing with each other to collect the most small change to win the challenge! Children can earn funds for the challenge through odd jobs and helping out to try and take their class to victory.

The winning class will then get to chose a treat they can enjoy together as their reward - the previous winners of the challenge chose to hire an ice cream van for the afternoon and enjoy 99s in the sun!!

Summer Fair

Our annual SUMMER FAIR on Friday 7th July promises to be BIGGER and BETTER than last year (hard to believe we know!!!) Full details to follow soon!!!

Willow Treat

Thank you to those lovely ladies who have stepped forward recently to help us out at Willow Treat on a Friday afternoon! Welcome to the team - we are delighted to have you and hope you have as much fun as we do running the event!

Second Hand Uniform and Winter Coats

We still hold a huge stock of all second hand uniform - 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 willowtreepta@gmail.com.

Also please consider donating any good condition uniform your children have grown out of to the office!

WE ARE PARTICULARLY LOOKING FOR SUMMER UNIFORM LIKE GINGHAM DRESSES NOW



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