

WEEKLY NEWS

FRIDAY 25TH APRIL 2025

Year 3/4 are Role Models in Our Community

Pupils in Larch and Willow classes had a special visit from the local PSCOs this week! They spoke to the children about acceptable and unacceptable behaviour and the consequences of this in the community. At home, you can ask our pupils about what anti-social behaviour looks like and what the consequences might be, especially once you turn 10 years old! Both classes were an asset to their teachers and showed fantastic manners and enthusiasm towards the officers.



VE DAY PICNIC

Thursday 8th May

Picnic Lunch

(Bring your own or Grab Bag from School Kitchen)

Wear red, white and blue
(no football kits)

Diary Dates

Tuesday 29th April: Your Choice Day - Prison Me? No Way! for Years 5 and 6

Wednesday 30th April: Willow at Forest School

Monday 5th May: BANK HOLIDAY

Wednesday 7th May: Larch at Forest School

Thursday 8th May: VE Day Picnic

WB Monday 12th May: Y6 SATS WEEK

Wednesday 14th May: Oak at Forest School

WB Monday 19th May: Attendance Superheroes Challenge - more info coming soon!

Wednesday 21st May: Elm at Forest School

Thursday 22nd May:

Wheelchair basketball Activity Day

EVERGREEN REWARD 3:15pm-4:15pm

Friday 23rd May: Y6 Swimming

School closes for Half Term

Monday 2nd June: School reopens to pupils

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Checks this week

Wednesday 4th June: Bay at Forest School

WB 9th June: Phonics Screening Week

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Checks this week

Wednesday 11th June: Pine at Forest School

Thursday 12th June: KS2 Athletics Championship

Friday 13th June: Y6 Swimming

Wednesday 18th June: Yew at Forest School

Friday 20th June: Y6 Swimming

Tuesday 24th June: Class Photographs

Wednesday 25th June: Y6 Visit to London

Thursday 26th June: Y1 Visit to YWP

Friday 27th June: Y6 Swimming

Attendance Spotlight

WELCOME BACK



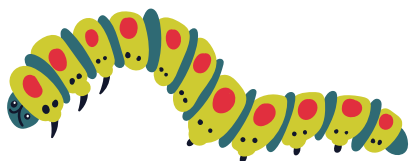
Mrs Bedford

Sneak Peek in the Classroom

There has been lots of exciting learning captured in our classrooms this week!

Acorns

In Acorns we have been reading *The Hungry Caterpillar*. The children have enjoyed making and eating fruit kebabs. We are looking forward to the arrival of some caterpillars coming soon!



Pine

The children came back from their Easter break so ready to learn! We have talked about Earth Day and why it is important to look after our planet. We have also been finding out about different mini beasts as the children have been loving finding them outside. The children then explored the nature area and restocked our Bug Hotel.



Yew

Yew class have begun to focus on position and direction in Maths. They have completed many practical activities this week to help them learn how to make whole, half and quarter turns. The children were introduced to the terms clockwise and anti-clockwise too and some children mastered turning in the correct direction.



Bay

The children have had a lovely start to the summer term. In Art we have been learning about mixing secondary colours and how to make them. In Music the children have enjoyed learning Mexican wrapping in music. The children have also enjoyed participating in the Ninja run on the field.



Willoughby Road Run Like Ninjas!

The whole school came together for an exciting event called the Ninja Run, where the children from Reception to Year 6 participated in a fun and energetic obstacle course inspired by ninja challenges. The children showed incredible motivation, tackling each part of the course with enthusiasm and determination. Laughter, cheers, and high-fives filled the air as they jumped, climbed, and crawled their way through the course. It was a joyful experience that not only encouraged physical activity but also boosted teamwork and confidence. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the event, making it a memorable day for all the children and staff alike.



Elm

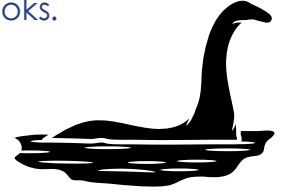
Elm class have had a fantastic start to the Summer term! This week, we have been learning all about Roald Dahl who is the author in our new class book 'George's Marvellous Medicine'.

We had a discussion about which books the children had already read by this author and have started reading another one of his books 'The Twits' in story time.



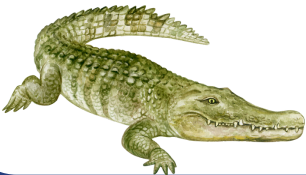
Willow

A wonderful start to the term in Willow! This week we have been getting really excited about our new writing unit, which is poetry! We have been looking at the Loch Ness monster and have been using some really wonderful vocabulary to describe the monster and how it looks.



Larch

Larch class have had a great start to the Summer term! This week, we have looked at the front cover and blurb of our new whole class reading book 'Krindlekrax' and predicted what we think it will be about! Some of us have decided that one of the main characters must be a crocodile! Will our predictions be correct?



Oak

Oak class have had an amazing start to the summer term! This week, we have started our new history topic: having a deeper look into democracy and how democracy looks in the UK. The children then looked at how the members of parliament are elected, who our local MP is and what kind of questions they would like to ask them if they had a chance. They came up with some brilliant suggestion!



Ash

What a fantastic start to the new term! Ash class have returned with an amazing attitude to learning and have embraced the revision sessions for Maths and Reading this week - long may it continue! We have continued to follow the journey of Bruno in our whole class reading sessions, as well as looking at new and unfamiliar texts - they have certainly honed their inference skills.

Maple

A fantastic start to the Summer term for Maple this week. We have been working hard focusing on sharpening our understanding of fractions and the processes used to add, subtract, multiply and divide them! We are excited to continue reading The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas and see what adventure Bruno goes on next!



Reach for the Stars

A big 'Well Done' to Elm Class this week for welcoming Miss McAleney to Willoughby Road and showing her 'The Willoughby Way'.

Great behaviour, great work and a great start to the Summer Term

Well Done!

Lunchtime Super Stars

We have made some changes to lunchtime this week at Willoughby Road, meaning that all of KS1 and KS2 eat their lunch between 12 o'clock and 1pm. Pupils coped very well with the changes to routines and timetables and demonstrated excellent behaviour as we would expect.

That's the Willoughby Way!

'Good to be Green'

This half term, our Evergreen Reward is Movie Night and Popcorn!

THURSDAY 22nd MAY

3:15pm - 4:15pm

Attendance Champions

Class Attendance

Ash - 100%

Oak - 99%

Willow - 98%

Yew - 97%

Acorns - 97%

Maple - 96%

Pine - 96%

Bay - 95%

Larch - 93%

Elm - 92%



**Whole School
Attendance**



Learning Never Stops for Pupils at Willoughby Road

We love learning at Willoughby Road and our Delta Stars system recognises all of the learning that happens outside the classroom. Miss Blades-Baker has been amazed recently by the 'daily facts' that have been shared each morning on the playground - well done! Join in the fun with some facts of your own each morning when you come to school.



WE ARE ATTENDANCE HEROES

Join us every day at school from
Monday 19th May until Friday 23rd May
and you can come to school dressed
as a superhero on Friday! How many
attendance heroes do we have at
Willoughby Road?

**JOIN US AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY
TO BE AN ATTENDANCE HERO**

