



Dates for your Diary

Summer Term 2017

Monday 8th May - SATs Week

Monday 15th May - Class Photos

Thursday 18th May - Y3/4 Open Morning

Friday 19th May - PTA Bingo Night

Friday 26th May - School breaks up

Tuesday 6th June - School re-opens

Thursday 15th June - Y1/2 trip to Scarborough

Thursday 15th June - Willow Tree's Got Talent FINAL

Saturday 17th June - Stray Birds Concert

Monday 26th June - Y3/4 Open Morning

Friday 30th June - Summer Fair

Wednesday 19th July - Sports Day

Friday 21st July - Break Up for Summer Holidays 2.05pm

Attendance

The Target for the school is 97% attendance for the week. In the week commencing 1st May we only achieved **95%**.

Let's keep trying for 97%!

Well done to **Chestnut, Beech, Silver Birch, Walnut, Sycamore, Acer, Apple, Poplar, Larch, Maple** and **Cherry** classes who achieved above 97% attendance. **Congratulations !**



NEWS, INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Achievement Awards were given on the 5th May to the following children:

Ash	Leto	Apple	Noah
Chestnut	Jacob	Poplar	Alicia
Beech	Amelia	Cedar	McKinley
Cherry	Bailey	Larch	Tiffanie
Holly	Theodore	Rowan	Charlie
Hornbeam	Sophia	Sycamore	Ellie L
Spruce	Tagen	Elm	Hazel
Lime	Cameron	Acer	Joe S
Maple	Ben	Silver Birch	Jasmine
Hawthorn	Leah	Walnut	Jacob



Look out for children in the yellow sweatshirts in weeks to come.

WRITER OF THE WEEK

Look out for this week's Writers of the Week in next week's Newsletter!



NEWS, INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

SATs Week Breakfast Club

There will be a Breakfast Club for Year 6 pupils during SATs week next week.

The club will be held in Walnut classroom at 8.15am and will run on Monday 8th May, Tuesday 9th May, Wednesday 10th May and Thursday 11th May.

Many thanks to Morrisons for providing this breakfast.



The words 'BREAKFAST CLUB' in large, colorful, bubbly letters. 'BREAKFAST' is in various colors (pink, blue, green, yellow, orange) and 'CLUB' is in orange and purple.

Breakfast will be provided free of charge to all our Year 6 pupils and all are welcome.

Request for Equipment

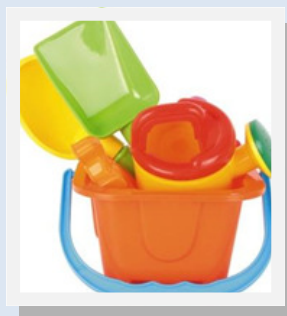
If you have any of the following that you can donate to school please bring it to Cherry Classroom or to the office. Thank you!

Small balls *Cars* *Dolls house furniture*

Large garden games *House items (such as tea sets, plates etc)*

Dolls clothes *Velcro balls for target* *Skipping ropes*

Sand toys *Blackboard for the wall*



FAO Parents in Little Oaks

The Early Years Pupil Premium is paid to school for children of families in receipt of certain benefits, including **Universal Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseekers Allowance and Child Tax Credit** (if you're not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an income of less than £16,190).

This extra funding will be used by school to enhance the quality of your child's early years experience by improving the teaching, learning, facilities and resources, with the aim of impacting positively on your child's progress and development.

If you receive any of the above benefits please let the office know ASAP.

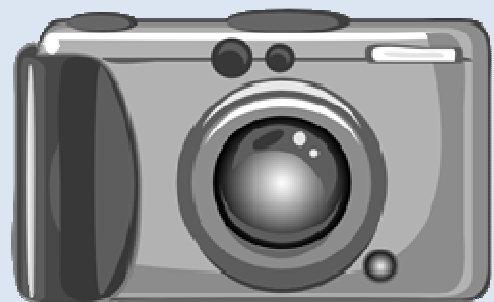
If your Nursery child is in receipt of **Disability Living Allowance** school may be entitled to receive the Disability Access Fund (DAF) which provides some additional support for your child in Nursery.

Please could you let the office know ASAP if you receive DLA for your child.

Appeal from Hornbeam Class

Do you have a spare digital camera that you could donate to Hornbeam class? Their camera has broken so if you have an old one you no longer use that you are willing to donate it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!



Class Allocations for September

At this time of year we begin to make plans for classes next year. As part of this process the teachers will always ensure that friendships are taken into account and that children themselves give us a list of friends. We also work really carefully to place children in particular groups that the teachers believe are the best for them, knowing them as they do in school.

However, every year parents still come to see Mrs Davey after the new class lists have been published with concerns about friendships, where children have been placed together or apart, issues between families etc. If you have very strong feelings about what is best for your child this is your opportunity to let Mrs Davey know **in writing**.

We are not expecting parents to give us a list of their child's 'best friends' but to let us know if they have any genuine concerns or issues that we may not be aware of. **We DO NOT take requests for whether or not your child is placed in a mixed class or for specific teachers.**

All letters of concern should be received by 12th May.

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.

Please be aware we will not make any changes to class lists after they are published in early July.

Class Photos

Class photos will be taken on Monday 15th May.



SPORTING NEWS

Year 3/4 Tri Golf Competition

Our Year 3/4 Tri Golf team played in a competition this week at Harrogate Golf Club. They played brilliantly and whilst they didn't progress to the finals on this occasion, all the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Well done!

Y5/6 TAG Rugby Festival

Well done to our Y5/6 TAG Rugby team who represented Willow Tree at Harrogate Rugby Club this week. Their teamwork was excellent and even though they didn't progress to the finals they should be very proud of themselves. Well done!

Thank you to all parents and carers for their help and support.



Karate

On Sunday Eilidh in Cedar class went to a karate competition and won a bronze medal for kumite (the fight part of karate). She was one of the youngest in her category but still won against a brown and two white striped belts when she is currently a brown belt.

Well done Eilidh!

Sporting Achievements

We would love to celebrate your child's sporting achievements. Please let us know about any sporting activities your child participates in by emailing office@willowtree.n-yorks.sch.uk. Send us details and any photos, so we can feature your child in the school Newsletter.



PTFA NEWS



Y6 Leavers Hoodies

Please note that all hoodie orders need to be in the office by ***Monday 8th May.***

Money needs to be handed in with the order or paid via the PTFA app.



There are still non-uniform days to be won!

How to enter:

If you haven't already done so you must download our new PTFA App (not to be confused with the new School Ping App) - just search for 'Willow Tree PTFA' in your app store, download the app and go to the 'PTFA Shop' to enter. Good luck!



Thank you.

Don't forget to register for the PTFA App!

Woodlands Community Garden



Everyone is welcome to visit Woodlands Community Garden, next to school. It is a great place for an after school picnic or a play! It is entirely maintained by volunteers so please join us this Sunday to help us keep it looking good or Fridays from 9-10am.

FREE Wildlife Night Saturday 13th May - 6-9pm (or later!)

Meet 2 of the ravens from Knaresborough castle, see infra-red wildlife videos, find out about bats from the Otley Bat Hospital and join us on a bat detecting walk with Bernadette Lobo. There will be knitted wildlife toys and crocheted brooches for sale, in aid of the garden. Please bring a dish to share, for supper.



Ripon Cathedral Choir Open Day

Sunday 14th May 2017 1.00-4.30pm

Come and sing with the Cathedral Choir, explore the Cathedral, meet the Choristers and have fun!

- See and hear the Cathedral Choir in rehearsal
- Guided tours of the Cathedral for parents and children including behind the scenes
- Presentation and display about the Cathedral Choir
- Meet the musicians and choristers
- Refreshments
- Children's goody bags!

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