



# Willow Tree Primary School

## Newsletter

6th January 2017

### Dates for your Diary

#### Spring Term 2017

Thursday 16th February - School breaks up for Halt Term

Friday 17th February - School Closed for INSET Day

Monday 27th February - School re-opens

Friday 7th April - Break up for Easter Holidays 2.05pm

#### Summer Term 2017

Monday 24th April - School re-opens

Monday 1st May - School closed for May Day

Friday 26th May - School breaks up

Tuesday 6th June - School re-opens

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

#### Deadline for Reception Place Applications

If you have a child in Nursery please make sure you have submitted your school admission form to apply for a place in Reception. The deadline is **Friday 15th January 2017**. Please copy and paste the following link for information on how to apply:

**<http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/23544/Apply-to-start-primary-or-junior-school-for-the-first-time>**

#### Nursery Places

If you would like your child to start Nursery in the Summer Term or in September then please contact the office as soon as possible to place your child's name on the Admission List.

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**

## Attendance

The Target for the school is 97% attendance for the week .

In the week commencing 2nd January we achieved **97.4%** Well done everybody!

Well done to **Chestnut, Ash, Beech, Walnut, Sycamore, Acer, Apple, Poplar, Cedar, Maple, Cherry, Holly** and **Hornbeam** who achieved above 97% attendance.

***Special Congratulations to Hawthorn who achieved a fantastic 100%!!***



## Mrs Davey's Absence

All parents and carers were sent a letter this week regarding Mrs Davey's absence from school for a few weeks as she is having an operation.

Mrs Daggett and Mr Hughes will be Acting Headteachers in Mrs Davey's absence. You will be able to contact them in the usual way via the school office should you need to meet with them for any reason.

## School Shoes



A reminder that school shoes/trainers must be dark coloured. Bright or light colours are not allowed. Thank you for your co-operation.



## Is Your Child Eligible for Free School Meals?

Free school meals are available to some children according to family income. **It's important to register for entitlement to free school meals, *even if your child has a packed lunch from home.*** This is so we can receive additional funding (called the **pupil premium**) which we can use to help your child.



Children are entitled to Free School Meals if their parents, carers or guardians receive any of the following:

- Income support
- Income based job seekers allowance
- Income related employment and support allowance
- Guarantee pension credit
- Child Tax Credit, but not Working Tax Credit, and an annual income lower than the limit set by the Government

Working Tax Credit Run On because you have ceased work or reduced your working hours to less than 16 per week.

**If your family is eligible for free school meals at any time, *PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU CLAIM*, even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, where all children receive free school meals.**



Claim forms are available from the School Office.

Thank you for your support.

# Celebrating our Children's Success

## ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Achievement Awards were given on the 6th January to the following children:

<b>Ash</b>	Poppy	<b>Apple</b>	Olivia
<b>Chestnut</b>	Toby	<b>Poplar</b>	Lewis
<b>Beech</b>	Adele	<b>Cedar</b>	Bareerah
<b>Cherry</b>	Amy	<b>Larch</b>	Sara
<b>Holly</b>	Harry	<b>Rowan</b>	George S
<b>Hornbeam</b>	Lily	<b>Sycamore</b>	Millie
<b>Spruce</b>	Chloe	<b>Elm</b>	Kyla
<b>Lime</b>	Mae	<b>Acer</b>	Angel
<b>Maple</b>	Jack	<b>Silver Birch</b>	Alicja
<b>Hawthorn</b>	Mackenzie	<b>Walnut</b>	Bailey



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

## Well done everyone!

## WRITER OF THE WEEK

The following children have been awarded 'Writer of the Week' and will be wearing a blue sweatshirt until next Wednesday.

<b>Ash</b>	Leto	<b>Apple</b>	Liam
<b>Chestnut</b>	Travis	<b>Poplar</b>	Jas
<b>Beech</b>	Frank	<b>Cedar</b>	Matthew
<b>Cherry</b>	Kane	<b>Larch</b>	Gracie
<b>Holly</b>	Ava	<b>Rowan</b>	Jack
<b>Hornbeam</b>	Lucie	<b>Sycamore</b>	Tyler E
<b>Spruce</b>	Charlie	<b>Elm</b>	Hazel
<b>Lime</b>	Jacob	<b>Acer</b>	Connor L
<b>Maple</b>	Katia	<b>Silver Birch</b>	Oliver
<b>Hawthorn</b>	Alice	<b>Walnut</b>	Oliver, Sam & Edward



## PTFA NEWS

### Next Meeting

The next PTFA meeting is on Friday 20th January 2017 at 7.30pm at the home of Helen Green. Please contact the office for details.

Please join our Facebook page and invite friends who have not yet joined our page.



Search ***Willow Tree Primary School PTFA.***

You can use the Facebook page to ask any questions you might have, find out information as well as to share details of your service or business if you have one!

## COMMUNITY NEWS



### Woodlands Community Garden

***Happy New Year!***

**THANK YOU** to Ross and Jamie from Open Country who cleaned the ginnel between Fairfax and Wetherby Road, for all the children who walk to school. It was so messy after the holidays - let's try to keep it clean!

**Friday mornings in term time (9-10am)** - refreshments and a few light gardening jobs (including indoor painting a bench!)

