



Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2017

Monday 30th January - School & PTFA App Information Meeting
3.30pm, Jepson Hall

Tuesday 31st January - Foundation Stage *Learning Together* 2pm

Tuesday 14th February - Reception visit to Harrogate Library

Thursday 16th February - School breaks up for Half Term

Friday 17th February - School Closed for INSET Day

Monday 27th February - School re-opens

Tuesday 28th February - Y3/4 Open Morning

Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day

Friday 24th March - Red Nose Day

Tuesday 28th March - Y3/4 Open Morning

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**

NEWS, INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

Attendance

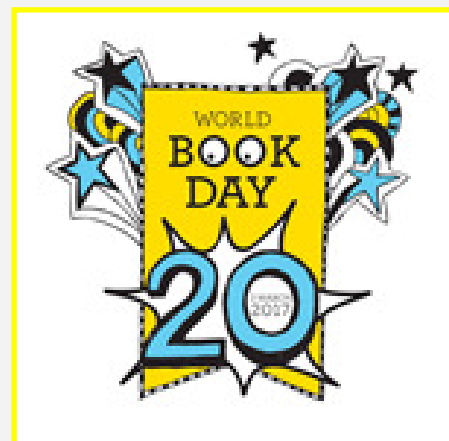


The Target for the school is 97% attendance for the week .

In the week commencing 23rd January we achieved **95.7%**. Let's try for 97% next week!

Well done to **Beech, Apple, Poplar, Rowan, Larch, Maple , Cherry** and **Holly** who achieved above 97% attendance.

World Book Day



World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March and the children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book.

More details to follow!

Driving on the School Grounds

If you have permission to drive onto the school grounds then please do not carry out 3-point turns on the drive. Instead please drive to the bottom of the drive and turn around there, where it is safer to do so.

Inconsiderate driving puts Willow Tree's children at risk. Thank you for your co-operation.

Celebrating our Children's Success

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Achievement Awards were given on the 27th January to the following children:

Ash	Isabelle	Apple	Emily
Chestnut	Alfie	Poplar	Makenzy
Beech	Freya	Cedar	Martha
Cherry	Kacey	Larch	Sam
Holly	Theodore	Rowan	Niamh
Hornbeam	Lola	Sycamore	William
Spruce	Holly	Elm	Jack
Lime	Oliver	Acer	Joey
Maple	Kelsie	Silver Birch	Nico
Hawthorn	Kayla	Walnut	Laurie



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.

Ash	Sophie	Apple	Connor
Chestnut	Jacob	Poplar	Ryan
Beech	Isla	Cedar	Grace
Cherry	Beatrice	Larch	Connor
Holly	Lucy	Rowan	Scarlett
Hornbeam	Ben	Sycamore	Tyler B
Spruce	Jake	Elm	Finlay
Lime	Cameron	Acer	Kaitlyn
Maple	Josh M	Silver Birch	Emma H
Hawthorn	Ryan S	Walnut	George



School & PTF App Launch
Information Evening Monday 30th January
3.30pm in Jepson Hall

We are excited to announce the launch of two new apps which are free to download, convenient and easy to use and will send instant messages straight to your smartphone.

SchoolPing



This app will gradually replace the current texting service used by school and will be used to send out information, letters, photos, calendar events and even to book parents evenings.

PTFA App



This app will enable parents to keep up to date with PTFA news, events, buy event tickets, make donations and access the group's Facebook page.

Please come along to our information evening on **Monday 30th January at 3.30pm in Jepson Hall** for an introduction to the new apps. There will be a short presentation on how the apps work and the opportunity for you to ask any questions. We do hope you can come.

Please make sure the office has your up to date email address as soon as possible. Thank you.

PTFA NEWS



The PTFA are excited to announce the launch of a new app which will make keeping up to date with news and events much easier!

Please come along to the information meeting in school on Monday at 3.30pm in Jepson Hall, or speak to one of the PTFA members.

Save the Dates!

Details to follow!

Bedtime Stories - Thursday 2nd March

Sponsored Bounce - Friday 3rd March

Date of Next Meeting

Please come along to the next PTFA meeting on Friday 10th March at 7.30pm at the home of Lizzie Hughes. Please message her for the address. All welcome!



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!

Woodlands Community Garden



Happy New Year at Woodlands Community Garden

The Community Garden behind the church is for everyone to use, whenever you want to! Do pop round and have a look. We have a number of free events throughout the year open to everyone, just turn up! If you'd like to help garden - join us 9-10am on Friday mornings in term time or 2-4pm the last Sunday afternoon in the month.

2017 Dates for your diary!

Sunday 29th January 2-4pm - Gardening Sunday - First Aid Fun - St John's Ambulance volunteer Danni will be teaching children and adults how to deal with accidents in the garden; gardening jobs; refreshments

Saturday 11th February 6.30pm - Vintage Film Night - Sound of Music
Free film night, donations to the garden; refreshments for sale; fancy dress encouraged

Sunday 26th February 2-4pm - Gardening Sunday

Saturday 18th March 6pm - Stargazing Night - Telescopes, fun craft activities inside, short film; all welcome

Saturday 13th May 6pm- Wildlife Night- Come and get to know more about the local night creatures - hopefully, moths, bats and owls will visit!



Fairfax Community Centre

Strictly Ballroom - *Wednesday 10.00-11.00am* £4.00 per person - Classes are informal, friendly and fun with a lively atmosphere it's a great way to meet new friends whilst learning a new skill. For both couples and individuals.

Fit Mummy Healthy Baby - *Wednesday 1.30-2.30pm* £4 per session - Fun, physical activity for mum and baby using exercises that can be transferred to the home setting. Feel fitter, feel healthier and meet new friends. GP consent to exercise applies.