

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have all been enjoying the warmer weather this week!

**Hydration and Sun Protection:** With the rising temperatures, please ensure your child brings a bottle of water to school every day. Water is the best choice to keep them hydrated and focused throughout the day. We kindly ask that you refrain from sending squash to maintain the health of their teeth. For extra protection, please provide a sun hat or cap to shield them from the sun's rays during outdoor activities.

**Cooling Measures in School:** Rest assured, we have measures in place to keep our classrooms cool and comfortable during hot weather. Therefore, we kindly ask that hand-held fans are not brought into school. All classrooms are equipped with fans and, in some cases, air conditioning to ensure a pleasant learning environment for all our children and staff.



**Uniform Pride:** We take immense pride in our school uniform, which not only fosters a sense of identity but also promotes a feeling of belonging. We appreciate the support of parents in maintaining the high standards we set for our children's appearance. Please refer to the uniform guidance shared this week as a reminder of our expectations.

**Y6 SATs Preparation:** We are immensely proud of our Year 6 for their dedication and hard work in preparing for their upcoming SATs . They have shown exceptional commitment, and we have every confidence that they will all perform to the best of their abilities. We wish them the best of luck and are confident that their efforts will be rewarded.

**Y6 SATs Breakfast:** To support our Year 6 students during this important time, we will be hosting a special Y6 SATs breakfast from 8:15 am on Monday through Thursday next week. This breakfast will provide them with the energy and encouragement they need to tackle their assessments with confidence.



Toodbye!



Last Day of Summer 1 : A friendly reminder that the last day of summer 1 for the children will be Thursday 23rd May. This is due to our staff having an INSET day on Friday 24th May.

Finally, today we say goodbye and thank you to Ms Elliott who has been a much valued member of our office team. Amongst her many responsibilities, Ms Elliot has been our parent newsletter editor and we are very grateful for the time and effort that has gone into every issue over the past two years. We wish her all the very best for the future.

Enjoy the wonderful weather this weekend and thank you for your ongoing support. Best wishes,

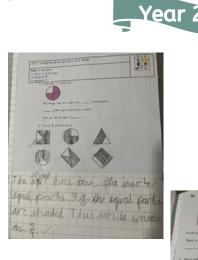
Mrs Oldfield and the WBP Team

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This week Magnolia have been looking at 3D shapes. We have been exploring different shapes in the water, seeing what different 2D shapes we can see on 3D shapes, which have curved side and roll in water and which do not.







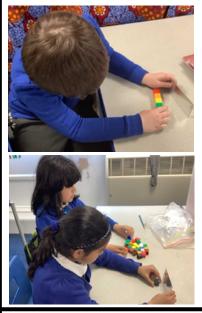
In Year 2 we have been exploring fractions. We have been learning about 1/2, 1/4, 1/3 and 3/4 of objects and numbers.

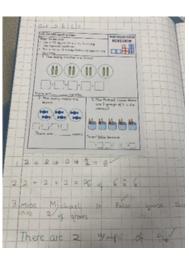
"I know that when you are halving a shape they are in 2 parts and each part is equal" – Estir

"A quarter means sharing equally by 4. ¼ of 16 is 4." - Jayden



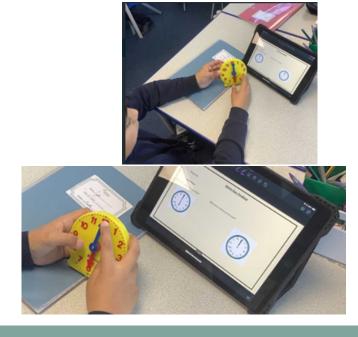
This term in maths, Year 1 have explored counting in 2's 5's and 10's. Following on from this, we used our knowledge to help us add equal groups. We then moved on to doubling! We started off carrying out practical investigations where we used mirrors to support our learning and then used our knowledge to solve and reasoning style questions.







In our maths lessons in year 3, we have been looking at time. We have been working on identifying time to one minute and five-minute intervals. Whilst doing this, we have been using resources to help us with this, this has allowed us to visually see the time in front of us. Using the clocks has allowed us to bring our maths to life.



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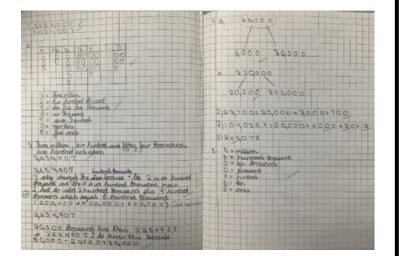
In Year 4, we have been exploring time! We've learned how to measure time using clocks and calendars, and we have been converting seconds to minutes and hours. We also explored the difference between analogue and digital time.





Year 6

Year 6 students have been diligently consolidating their understanding of previous math topics, with a special focus on enhancing their arithmetic and reasoning abilities. Through targeted practice and engaging activities, they are strengthening their skills in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, while also honing their logical thinking and problemsolving strategies.







Year 5

This term, children in Year 5 are learning about different shapes and their unique properties. They are learning about different types of polygons, including regular and irregular shapes, and how to calculate missing angles. Children are developing their ability to accurately identify, classify, and describe shapes. They are also learning how to calculate area and perimeter, which is helping them to improve their mathematical skills and deepen their understanding of the world.

# OUR CORE VALUE FOR SUMMER 1 IS ASPIRATION DON'T DECIDE THAT YOU CAN'T BEFORE YOU DISCOVER THAT YOU CAN YOU

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### EYFS and KS1 Parent Reading Morning

Every Thursday from 8:40-9:10am



We are looking for Read with Me volunteers at Willow Bank! These volunteers will visit our EYFS, KS1 and KS2 classrooms and listen to our children read.

If you are interested in volunteering with us for 30 minutes or an hour each week, then please pop into the office to express your interest and pick up our application pack.



Well done to:	Our target is over 96%
Magnolia - 86%	Yew - 96%
Hornbeam - 98%	Redwood - 94%
Laburnum - 96%	Almond - 99%
Hazel - 99%	Walnut - 99%
Larch - 93%	Sycamore - 97%
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# **Key Dates**

#### Next week:

• Y6 SATS Monday 13/05/2024 to Thursday 16/05/2024.

#### Upcoming events:

- Almond: Thursday 23rd May Sharing Assembly in the school hall at 9am
- Friday 24/05/2024 Inset day, school closed
- Monday 27/05/2024 Friday 31/05/2024 half term
- Monday 03/06/2024 first day back.

# **School Reminder**

School gates close at precisely 8:50am, after this time, entrance is via the school office and signing your child/children on the screen.

## A reminder that we have our Chance To Chat.

As a school we provide ongoing support for the children's wellbeing and mental heath to which one of the methods is they can fill out a form while in school to express their worries. The form then gets placed in the 'Chance to chat' box where it will be addressed by the wellbeing team.

We also have an online form which is located on the school website named 'Chance to chat'.

The children can complete the form if they are worried about something or need some advice? A member of staff will get back to the child at school.

Please copy the link below and paste in the search bar and it will direct you straight to the form.

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=MvrWB2Z-r0qnuEuNgiOI1CAPQc0X4RFje43giTliLNUOE5BWUFISE40VjBXODZYRVFITlNXVzZYNCQLQCN0PWcu

