



Dear Willow Bank Parents and Carers,

As we approach the Easter break, we wanted to take a moment to extend our warmest wishes to you and your families for a truly relaxing and joyous holiday season. We hope this time brings you closer together, filled with laughter, love, and cherished memories.



Publishing Week Success: Throughout this week, our children have demonstrated our core values of resilience and aspiration as they diligently focused on their final writing outcomes from this half-term. These will be proudly displayed around the school after the Easter break, a testament to their hard work and dedication.

Magnolia Class Easter Bonnet Parade: Our school was filled with joy and creativity this morning as Magnolia Class hosted their Easter bonnet parade in the hall! Over the past week, the children have been working on their designs and crafting their own unique Easter bonnets. A big thank you to everyone who joined us for this special event!



Collaboration with Thamesmead Consortium: This week, we had the pleasure of welcoming teachers and leaders from local Thamesmead schools as part of the Thamesmead Consortium. Together, we shared resources and ideas aimed at enhancing teaching and learning experiences for every child in our Thamesmead community.

Farewells and Welcomes: Today, we bid a fond farewell to three of our valued teaching assistants: Mr. J, Ms. Arunkumar, and Ms. Blackman. We are immensely grateful for their dedication, kindness, and support throughout their time at WBP and wish them all the best in their future endeavours. We will be welcoming some new staff after the Easter break: Mr. Derenevsky, Ms. Farquhar, and the return of Ms. Donkor. We are looking forward to have them join our team and contribute to the continued success of our school community.



Easter Break and Return Date: Finally, as we embark on the Easter break, we hope you take this time to relax and recharge. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 15th April.

Wishing you all a peaceful, joyous, and egg-citing Easter break!

Warm regards,

Mrs Oldfield and the WBP Team



Year R

This term Reception have been learning ball skills within games and have been practising the skills of throwing and catching a ball. They have brought this skill into their provision and have been practising during choosing times too.

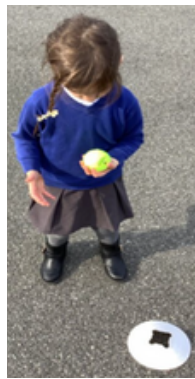


Year 1

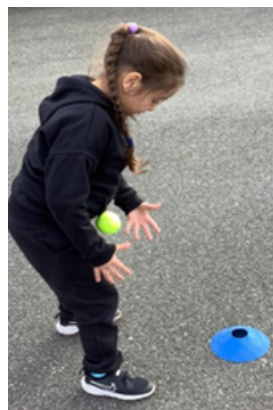
This term in PE, the children in Year 1 have been exploring dance linked to their history topic of Pirates. The children learnt how to use their body to create theme related shapes, movement and actions. Within these lessons the children showed fantastic team work by listening to other people's ideas whilst also vocalising their own thoughts when creating their own pirate dance.



Year 2



This half term we have been learning about basic cricket skills including throwing and catching accurately, working together in partners to throw and catch the ball safely and using eye coordination to catch the ball whilst moving.



Year 3

In PE lessons in year 3, we have been working on our balance as well as different ways in which we can move around in gymnastics. Initially, we started off by practising our balances. Once we began to feel confident doing this, we started to look at different ways in which we could move across different apparatus to incorporate these into our own choreographed routines.





Year 4

In Year 4, as part of our physical education curriculum, we have been enthusiastically exploring a diverse array of yoga poses, discovering the benefits of mindfulness and physical well-being. Here are some of our favourite poses that we've been practising and perfecting in class.



Year 5

This term in indoor PE, children in year 5 are developing their swimming skills so that they can put the ideas of personal survival and self-rescue into practise by swimming confidently. In outdoor PE, they have been learning how to play cricket. They are also improving their hand-eye coordination, strength, and ball-handling abilities.



Year 6

In Year 6, children have learnt the rules of cricket. With makeshift stumps and a well-worn ball, they eagerly formed teams, their faces alive with anticipation. They learned not only the rules of cricket but also the essence of teamwork, sportsmanship and the joy of friendly competition. Children learnt about the different types of equipments that are used in Cricket.



**OUR CORE VALUE FOR
SPRING 2 IS
RESILIENCE**

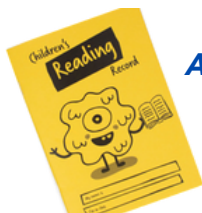




EYFS and KS1 Parent Reading Morning

Every Thursday from 8:40-9:10am

All parents and carers welcome!



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 - 94.0%	Yew - 95.0%
Hornbeam - 93.0%	Redwood - 91.4%
★ Laburnum - 99.0%	★ Almond - 96.0%
★ Hazel - 97.0%	Walnut - 94.0%
Larch - 94.0%	★ Sycamore - 97.0%



Key Dates

Next week:

Thursday 28/03/2024: - last day of Spring term

Upcoming events:

Monday 15/04/2024: - First day of Summer 1 term

Thursday 18/04/2024: - Whole school Parent Reading morning

Friday 19/04/2024: - Y3 Redwood Class Sharing Assembly



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 health 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-r0qnuEuN-giOI1CAPQC0X4RFje43giTliLNUOE5BWUFISE40VjBXODZYRVFITLNXVzZYNCQLQCN0PWcu>



GT CENTRE OF SPORT Easter Half TERM CAMPS



COURSE
1- SPORTS (football, dodgeball, basketball, cricket, tennis & much more)
2- DANCE/GYMNASTICS & TRAMPOLINING

DATES
Wk1
 Tues 2nd, Wed 3rd, Thurs 4th
Wk2
 Mon 8th, Tues 9th, Weds 10th

VENUE
 Trinity School, Belvedere, Erith Road DA17 6HT

AGES 5-14
 School Years (R-8)

TIMES & PRICES
 10.00am-3.00pm
 (Early drop off free of charge)
 £15.00 per child
 Sibling/ Friend Discount
 £40 per child for all 3 days if signed with a sibling/friend

Join GT Centre of Sport for endless fun over half term. Our courses are designed to engage children so that they can gain skills, make friends and keep active throughout the holidays. All coaches are fully qualified, DBS checked, safeguarded and have up to date first aid. Children will need to wear suitable clothing, trainers and have a packed lunch.

How to Book
 For further booking instructions Text us or alternately register your interest online



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Easter Holiday Activities and Food



For children and young people attending a school in Bexley

Activities Include
 -Arts and Crafts Music and dance
 -Performing Art
 -Outdoor activities
 -Trip to the London Zoo

2nd-5th
 APRIL, 2024
 Venue:
 Willow Bank Primary School
 Seacourt Road
 London, SE2 9XB
 Time: 9:00 hrs- 13:00 hrs

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Little Achievers

Easter Holiday Week 1 FOOTBALL COURSE

BOYS AND GIRLS 5-13 years All abilities

Week 1 £40 or £15 a day

2-5 April | 10am-3pm

Please Bring: Packed Lunch, Drinks, Trainers & Shinpads.
 Rewards Include: Certificates, Medals & Trophies.
 Coach Qualifications: UEFA and FA Qualified Coaches;
 FA Child Protection; Safeguarding & First Aid Training.

Friday Funday!

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WEK 1: Northumberland Heath Primary School, Wheelock Close, Erith, DAB 1JE (Brook Street entrance)



Little Achievers

Easter Holiday Weeks 1+2 MULTI-SPORT COURSE

BOYS AND GIRLS 5-13 years All abilities

Week 1 £40
 Week 2 £45
 or £15 a day

2-5 April + 8-12 April | 10am-3pm

Please Bring: Packed Lunch, Drinks, Trainers & Shinpads.
 Rewards Include: Certificates, Medals & Trophies.
 Sports Include: Basketball; Dodgeball; Handball; Motor Skills; Kick Ball; Benchball; Football; Tag Rugby; Racket Skills; Tennis; Badminton.

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WEEKS 1+2: Limewood Primary School, 2 Sandy Road, Erith, Kent, DA8 1FJ