



# WILLOW BANK INFANT SCHOOL

## Newsletter

### Diary Dates



#### March

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| 15 <sup>th</sup>                            | Red Nose Day-<br>more info to follow                 |
| 15 <sup>th</sup>                            | EYFS Coffee<br>Morning                               |
| 18 <sup>th</sup>                            | EYFS visit to the<br>Post Office                     |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup>                            | Year 1 Coffee<br>Morning                             |
| 26th -<br>28 <sup>th</sup>                  | Parents Evening                                      |
| 27 <sup>th</sup><br>and<br>28 <sup>th</sup> | SAGE<br>Volunteers in to<br>create sensory<br>garden |
| 29 <sup>th</sup>                            | Spring Disco<br>6pm-8pm                              |

#### April

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Martin the<br>Puppet Man                             |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Easter<br>Assembly- all<br>parents warmly<br>invited |

### Donations Needed

**Thank you all for your very generous donations- at the moment, we are fully stocked with everything we need.** Thank you so much for all your help!

We are always in need of Volunteers who can commit to a regular slot in a particular class or year group- if you can commit to helping, please contact Mrs Leary in the school office.

### From the Headteacher

8<sup>th</sup> March 2019



World Book Day was a marvellous success- the children had a wonderful day inspired by the activities that Cathy MacLennan arranged for them as part of her day with us. We were very lucky to have Cathy visit us and share her books with the children, and the range of work that the children produced was fabulous- we have many budding authors and illustrators!

Next Friday is Red Nose Day. We will be supporting this worthy charity by coming to school wearing red in return for a donation of £1. Children will, of course, be allowed to wear their red noses and any other Red Nose Day merchandise. Our school Parents' Evenings sessions will soon be open for booking on ParentMail. 97% of you have a ParentMail account so we will be changing from the paper forms to the electronic version!

Additionally, we will now send all reminders, class bulletins and memos to parents on ParentMail, and avoid cluttering up the windows!

Please remember that if you have any concerns or questions to contact your child's teacher, the school office or me- the school doesn't monitor social media and won't be able to respond to any concerns if they are only voiced there. Wokingham Borough Council will be running Active Kids Holiday Camps over the Easter break, for more information please visit- [www.wokingham.gov.uk/activekids](http://www.wokingham.gov.uk/activekids) And finally, happy International Women's Day to all the lovely ladies out there! Have a brilliant weekend!

*Michelle Masters*



### From the PTA

#### Spring Disco

The Spring Disco will take place on Friday 29th March from 6pm- 8pm. Tickets will go on sale THIS Sunday at 8pm

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/willow-bank/#.XIFgy6SnwIQ>

Due to fire regulations, the disco has a maximum capacity of 250 people (including parents).

If you don't manage to secure a ticket before they sell out, please email the PTA to be placed on the waiting list. People often 'drop out' after buying tickets and at the Halloween disco in October, every family who was on the waiting list was offered tickets prior to the disco.

[wbis.pta@hotmail.com](mailto:wbis.pta@hotmail.com)

#### Mother's Day Secret Shop

During the disco (and for a short period after school on Friday 29th March) we will be opening a 'Secret Shop' (similar to Eldridge's at the Christmas Fair). This will be a lovely opportunity for your child to buy a lovely Mother's Day gift! We are still welcoming donations of unwanted gifts, chocolates, smellies, books etc which can be left in reception. Thank you for supporting this event.

#### Thank You

A huge thank you to those of you who purchased a spring themed coaster this week. You managed to raise £122.36 for the school.

Thank you also for your very kind book donations. We had an overwhelming amount of books and managed to raise £94.60.



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### *Spring Term Checklist*

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- 1<sup>st</sup> Martin the Puppet Man
- 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Assembly- all parents welcome to attend! 9:30am in the hall.
- END OF TERM- EASTER HOLIDAYS**
- 23<sup>rd</sup> INSET Day- No school for the children today
- 24<sup>th</sup> Children return to school- start of Summer Term 1

*Well done to these children!*



*Well done for winning Gem Bear!*



*Well done to these children!*





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*Happy Birthday to these children!*



*Eco-Bricks: Help us to make a difference!*



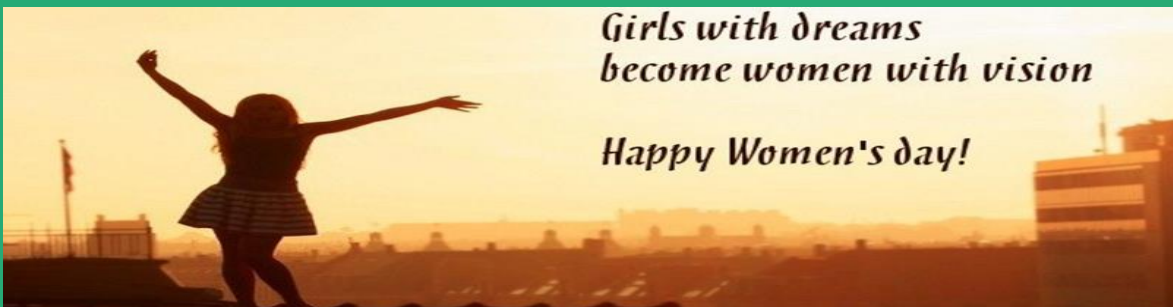
An **Ecobrick** is a plastic bottle packed to a set density with used, clean and dry plastic to achieve a building block that can be used over and over again. Ecobricks can also be packed with other non-biological un-recyclables that, uncontained, are toxic to the environment (i.e. styro-foam, wires, etc.).

Ecobricks are used to make modular furniture, garden spaces, walls and even full-scale buildings.

Ecobricks are an exciting way that individuals, communities, and companies can start their immediate transition from plastic towards ever greener harmony with the Earth's cycles.

We are hoping to use the Eco-bricks to build a wall for our sensory garden! Similar to this one...

So make your Eco-bricks colourful and strong by packing them tightly with non-recyclable plastic!



*Girls with dreams  
become women with vision*

*Happy Women's day!*