



# WILLOW BANK INFANT SCHOOL

## Newsletter

### Diary Dates



#### March

12 <sup>th</sup>	Science Week
19 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Relief Week
20 <sup>th</sup> - 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Parents' Evenings
23 <sup>rd</sup>	PTA Disco
28 <sup>th</sup>	Martin the Puppet Man's Show
29 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Assembly- 9:30am -10:00am
29 <sup>th</sup>	End of Spring Term

#### April

17 <sup>th</sup>	Children return to school
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### Parking



#### Please:

**Please be considerate and park thoughtfully!**

**Please do not park on the yellow lines outside school and ensure you leave sufficient space for passing traffic to get by safely.**

### App Update

**Thank you to the parents who have signed up for the E-Schools App, just over half the parents in the school have done so- if you need any further information to assist you in downloading and getting started with the app, please contact the school office!**

### From the Headteacher

9<sup>th</sup> March 2018



What a change one week makes! This time last week we were all at home because of the snow and icy conditions, and this week more and more signs of Spring are appearing!

It was lovely to see the EYFS parents this morning at Family Time.

Hopefully you will all have had a chance to sign up for Parents' Evenings in two week's time- if you haven't yet, please do sign up to speak to your child's teacher. This week we will also be sending home information about the Science Week which starts on Monday. As soon as we have confirmed timings, we will also be sending home information about Sports Relief week.

Very excitingly, we are expecting to take delivery of a young Field Maple tree that has been given to us by Octopus Energy, and would love to have some help in digging out a hole and planting the tree- it is scheduled to arrive from mid- to late- March. If you are happy to help some of our children plant the tree, please let the office know!

We have received a warning about two online games that are popular with young children, called Roblox and Musically. Both of these games allow unknown people to add content to the game, which is uncensored. Roblox particularly has had a number of very adult areas discovered. Also, strangers are allowed to contact other users, again uncensored. Scarily, in a quick poll of our Year 1 and 2 children, over 40 said they had someone they didn't know message them online and of those 40 children only 3 said they had told their parents. PLEASE take care when allowing your children to access the internet and online games.

Please may I remind parents that children are not to play on the play equipment outside in the playground before and after school. Not only is it dangerous for children to be on there unsupervised, but we would appreciate you supporting one of our school rules.

Have a lovely weekend!

*Michelle Masters*

### From the PTA



We have been able to purchase over £200 worth of books for year 2 guided reading. **Dinosaur world live - Saturday 2nd June**

We have reserved some arena seats for the Dinosaur world live show at the Reading Hexagon. They are £15 a ticket and available from our website. Tickets must be purchased by Sunday 11th March. We only have a limited number of tickets so be quick.

#### **100 CLUB**

We've set up a new fundraiser, to combine raising some money for school with the opportunity to win up to **£250**. More information can be found on our website [www.pta-events.co.uk/willow-bank](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/willow-bank) or by speaking to one of the PTA.

### Family Time



**Year 1** 2<sup>nd</sup> March and 16<sup>th</sup> March followed by coffee in the hall.

**Year 2** 2<sup>nd</sup> March and 23<sup>rd</sup> March followed by coffee in the hall.

From the Summer Term, beginning 17<sup>th</sup> April, Year 2 children will no longer have Family Time sessions in preparation for Junior school.

Sessions will begin at 8:40 when parents and children can look through work or do an activity together in the classroom, and finish at 9:00am when registers are taken and the school day begins.

For the final session of the half term, parents are invited to have coffee or tea with the teachers and Headteacher from 9:00am until 9:30am.



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*Happy Birthday to these children!*



*Congratulations to these children for their awards!*





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### *Spring Term Checklist*

**12th March** Science Week- please see the attached details for Science Week.

**19th March** Sports Relief Week- we will send out a timetable of events covered in this week closer to the time.

**20th, 21st and 22nd March** Parents' Evenings- Please sign up for an appointment if you haven't yet done so.

**23rd March** PTA Disco- more information to follow, please see PTA section of the newsletter for more details.

**28th March** Martin the Puppet Man will be in to do a special puppet show for all children.

**29th March** Special Easter Assembly- All parents are warmly invited to attend our special assembly which will run from 9:30am til approximately 10:00am. We are excited to have Rev.Eddie joining us for this assembly.

**29th March** End of Spring Term 2

**30th March to 16th April** Easter Holidays

**16th April** INSET Day- for staff only

**17th April** Children's first day back at school- Summer Term 1

*Congratulations to these children!*

*Well done to this class!*

