



WILLOW TREE NEWS

Friday 21/9/18



Willow Tree Values - Certificates

Class	Child	Value
Rec	Mason Radford	Determination
Yr 1M	Savannah Roylance	Ambition
Yr 2P	Yasmin Alburkeh	Determination
Yr 2R	Mason Saxon	Determination
Yr 3L	Kiya Marsh	Respect
Yr 3/4LB	Ben Worrall	Ambition
Yr 4/5S	Liam Hazzard	Determination
Yr 5/6E	Mayson Lea	Determination
Yr 5/6W	Courtney Simm	Ambition

Attendance Winners This Week and Punctuality

The winners of this weeks attendance cup are in KS1 - Y1M and in KS2 - Y3L

What a start!

It has been a wonderful start to the year at Willow Tree. All of the children look wonderful in their new uniform and they are trying really hard to keep smart by tucking their shorts in and remembering their ties. Thank you for your support in helping make our switch to a new uniform such a success. I want our children to represent the school in the very best light, both in and out of school, and a smart, distinctive uniform really helps with this.



Harry Potter

Last week pupils in KS2 were inspired by the story of Harry Potter. Pupils across KS2 have since been producing some fabulous writing in the mornings, including replying to Dumbledore to accept places at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry (not another change of uniform!). In the afternoons pupils were also having great fun taking part in workshops including how to make butter beer, hunting down the Golden Snitch as well as planting Mandrakes (a plant that has a root that looks like a human - if you hear them scream it is fatal!). Pupils also loved Friday afternoon's activity, finding out about owls from our visitor who brought several owls with him. It was also lovely to see many of our KS1 pupils dressing up as characters from Harry Potter.

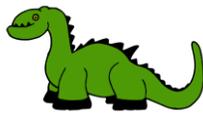
Creepy Crawlies!

It isn't only KS2 who had fun last week. KS1 children were treated to the delights of a visiting creepy crawly show, also linked to Harry Potter. Children learnt all about hissing cockroaches, snakes, spiders and lots of other fascinating creatures.



Reading

At Willow Tree we expect our pupils to read every single day at home. This makes such a difference in helping children to become fluent readers and access all areas of the curriculum. Please try to find 10 minutes in your day to hear your child read. This could become part of your child's bedtime routine or even something you do together to relax after tea. If you would like any support on how you can help your child read at home, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.



Dinosaurs

The KS1 children are doing a topic all about fossils, they are looking at a female palaeontologist called Mary Anning who collected fossils on a beach in Dorset. Following in her footsteps the children will be digging for fossils in sand, and on Monday they had a visit from a 10ft T Rex Dinosaur who told them lots of facts about fossils and dinosaurs. The children were amazed by the dinosaur and his fantastic facts and these have inspired some of their work in class this week.

KS1 Event Morning

Thank you to all the Parents and Grandparents who attended this morning's event to make book covers with the children. The children and teachers all loved working with you and have produced some gorgeous covers for the front of their books.

Visits

Next week there will be two educational visits taking place. Reception are visiting the library and Mrs Winstanley's class are visiting Sutton Academy. Both classes will be walking to their visit so please make sure that your child brings a coat to school so that they stay warm and dry.

Dates for the Diary

Own Clothes Day - Fri 28th September 2018 - contributions for the Food Bank.

Break up Half Term - Fri 19th October 2018 - 3.15pm.

Back to school - Mon 29th October 2018 - 8.50am.

School Photographs - Tues 6th November 2018.

Reception trip to Delamere - Thurs 6th December 2018.

Whole school trip to the Panto - Thurs 13th December 2018.

Break up for Christmas - Thurs 20th December 2018 - 2pm.

Back to school - Mon 7th January 2019 - 8.50am.

**Mr Bell
Headteacher**

