



Dear Parents and Carers

What a successful Children in Need day! The children...and the staff...look fantastic in pyjamas and there was a very calm feel to the school. We sold all of the cakes and Pudsey biscuits and I will let you know next week how much we raised for this fantastic charity.

I have tried to put all the dates for Christmas events in a table below. It looks like a lot, but you won't need to go to all of them! It is always a lovely time of year for the school community.

Messages from Friends of Willowbrook

We are running a Christmas jumper shop this year, so please bring in your old Christmas jumpers, in saleable condition, from now until the end of November. Then at the beginning of December, we will open up our jumper shop where you can purchase a Christmas jumper and save yourself some money and save old jumpers going to landfill.

Christmas Fair - we are currently planning our Christmas fair, but we really need some volunteers, so if you can help at all please email us at fow@willowbrook.devon.sch.uk Even if you can only do 30minutes it all helps.

Remember, you can find all the latest up to date info on our Facebook page, just search Friends of Willowbrook.

Monday November 21st

We have had a request from the children to wear sports kit on Monday 21st as it is England's first match in the World Cup. Children do not have to do this, but are welcome to do so if they wish....although please make sure they will be warm enough!

Gate Changes

A reminder following on from the letter this week that we will be shutting the gates at 8.50 when school starts. Parents can let themselves out of the front gate still by pressing the green button, but please close the gate afterwards. We have had some feedback from parents about making sure the doors are open on time and we have reminded staff about the importance of this.

As I said previously, we will review this after a few weeks once the routines have settled down.

Times Table Rock Stars Week

Thank you for supporting your children to learn their tables on this app. It really makes a difference to their maths. We came 4th out of 116 local schools for the amount of correct calculations! Riley B in year 6, finished 9th out of 704,979 children taking part nationally! This includes secondary-aged pupils. He has also managed to bring his speed down to an average of 0.39s per question! Hot on his heels are Amir and Attal R who have done amazingly well. Well done everyone.

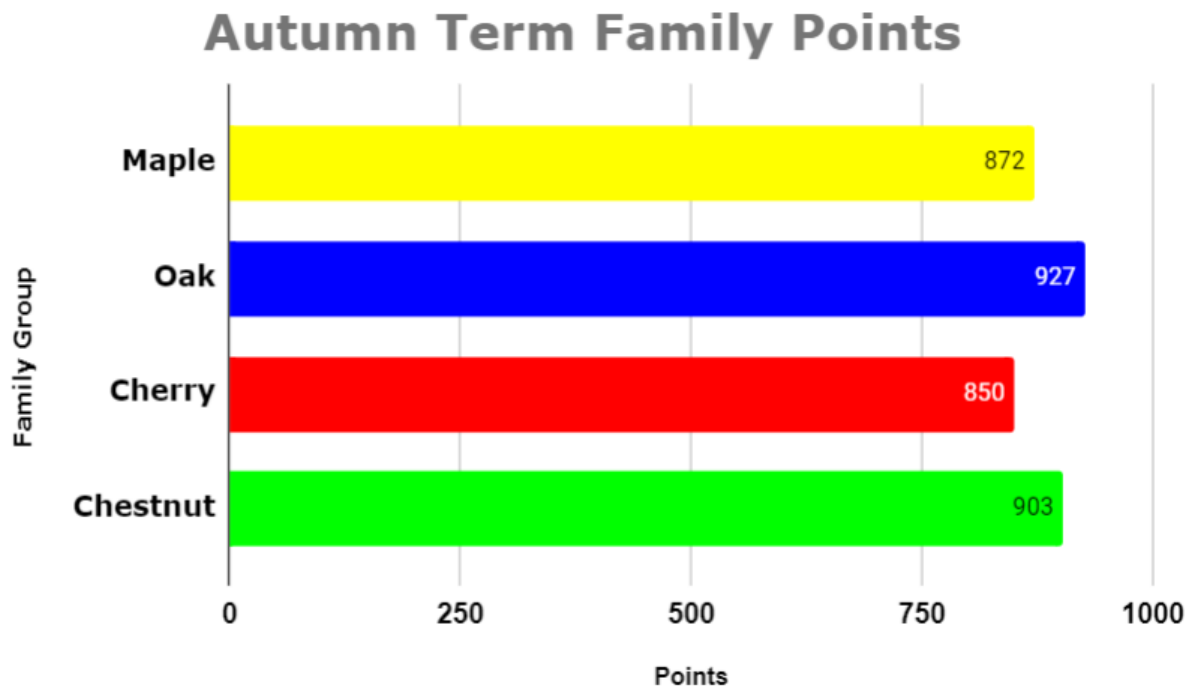
Non-Pupil Day

A reminder that school will be closed to pupils on Friday 2nd December.

Dates for your Diary!

Event	Who for	Date and time
Wear sports kit	All children	Monday 21 st November
Greek Workshop	Year 5	Wednesday 25 th November
Nursery and Reception Disco	Nursery and Reception children	Tuesday 29 th November 3.30-4.30
Music assembly for children learning instruments	Y2, Y4 and Y5 and parents	Monday 28 th November 9.15
Music assembly for children learning instruments	R, Y1, Y3 and Y6 and parents	Tuesday 29 th November 9.15
Year 3 and 4 Disco	Year 3 and 4 children	Tuesday 29 th November 4.30-5.30
Year 1 and 2 Disco	Year 1 and 2 children	Thursday 1 st December 3.30 till 4.30pm
Year 5 and 6 Disco	Year 5 and 6 children	Thursday 1 st December 4.30 till 5.30pm
<i>NON-PUPIL DAY</i>	<i>All children</i>	<i>School shut</i>
Lower School Christmas Lunch	Nursery - year 2	Tuesday 6 th December
Nursery Nativity	Nursery parents	Wednesday 7 th December – 9:30am
Key Stage 2 Christmas Lunch	Years 3-6	Thursday 8 th December
Christmas Fair	everyone	Friday 9 th December 2pm
Santa Run	Reception to year 6	Friday 9 th December – start of school day
Choir at St James' Park	School choir	Monday 12 th December evening
Reception Nativity Play	Reception parents	Monday 12 th and Wednesday 14 th 2pm
School Carol Concert (wrap up warm...it is outdoors)	Parents of Years 1-6	Thursday 15 th December 4.30pm
Christmas Jumper Day	All children	Friday 16 th December
Last day of term	All children	Friday 16 th December

Family Points



England Rocks

- Willowbrook came 4th out of 216 local schools
- We came 339th out of 3,897 schools across England
- Riley Bull (in 6BM) came 9th out of 704,979 children

Our class champions

1C: Hazim A

1P: Elliot W

2C: Jamielson V

2T: Zach W

3DM: Lamar A

3P: Amir R

4H: Arthur C

4F: Maks S

5W: Attal R

5C: Saleh K

6BM: Riley B

6P: Charlotte

Reception



This week we have been looking at the stories 'We're going on a bear hunt' and 'We're going on a lion hunt.' The children have been doing some brilliant storytelling and they have made some lovely story maps!

Year 1

In Geography we have been learning all about the equator. We have learnt that hot countries are near the equator whereas cold countries are further away. We coloured in a map to show our understanding.



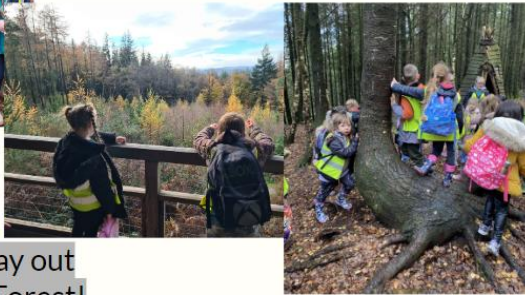
In maths, we have been learning about shapes. We made a tower of shapes together, and sorted if the shapes were good at building towers with or not!



Year 2



We had an
fantastic day out
at Haldon Forest!



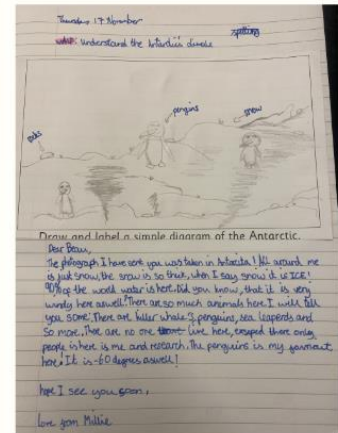
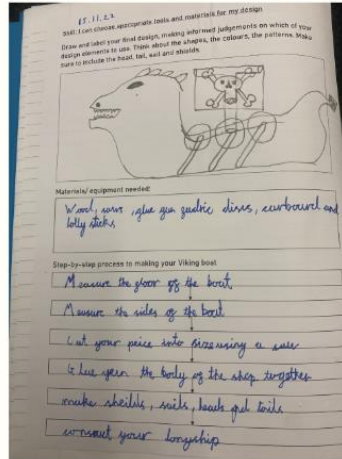
Year 3

This week we worked together to bake scones! We followed the recipe carefully and measured out our ingredients. We then taste tested our creations with our very own cream tea.



Year 4

This week in Year 4, we have been finalising our designs for our Viking longships in our DT lesson, reading to start constructing in the next couple of weeks. We have been learning about the Antarctic, we drew sketches of the Antarctic and wrote letters home to tell people about what it is like to be on an expedition in the Antarctic.



Year 5



This week in Year 5, we had a visit from the performance company, Theatre Alibi. The show was all about a mysterious parcel that is sent all over the world. The children also got to have a closer look inside the parcel at the end!

They have also been working hard on their poetry and their science experiment where they tried to turn milk and vinegar into plastic!



Week 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Main Meal	Main Meal	Main Meal	Main Meal
'Mummy' Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges and Peas	Focaccia Bread Cheese Pizza with Sauté Potatoes and Peas	Roast Turkey, Roast Potatoes and Fresh Vegetables with Optional Gravy	Beef Bolognese and Pasta, Focaccia Bread and Sweetcorn	Chicken Nuggets, Fries and Baked Beans or Peas
Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option
Potato and Bean Pasty with Potato Wedges and Peas	Vegetable Ragout and Pasta, Focaccia Bread and Peas	Roasted Vegetable Wellington, Roast Potatoes and Fresh Vegetables with Optional Gravy	Mushroom Biryani with Rice, Focaccia Bread and Sweetcorn	Vegetable Nuggets, Fries and Baked Beans or Peas
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo
Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert
Swamp Cake with Green Custard	Flapjack	Fruit Jelly	Autumn Apple Cake	Oaty Cookie