

25th November 2022



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you so much for your support with the changes so that we get the children in to school for Early Bird maths. As I said before, it was so disruptive for the classes to have so many children coming in after 8.50 when school starts.

As with any organisational change, there are bound to be teething problems, so thank you for bearing with us, we really appreciate it. We are now opening classroom doors at 8.40 so that you still have ten minutes drop off time as previously. This has really eased things! We have reduced the number of children arriving between 8.50 and 9 from 28 down to 15, which is great progress, thank you.

Children arriving after 9am are late and we have made amazing progress with this. We have reduced from 30 children arriving after 9 down to 4 by the end of the week.

Thank you so much for all your help with this and we are hoping that we will see the difference for those children with their maths progress!

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 30 minutes, it all helps.

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

Disco Arrangements

Please can you drop your children at their classroom for the discos (if they start at 4.30), and collect them from classrooms as well. This means that we can keep a list of children on site and make sure they all leave with someone! Thank you for your support in buying tickets and I am sure the children will have a great time.

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
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	Thursday 8 th December
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

Mr Dawe's Times Table Champions of the week

Over the last couple of weeks, I have been looking for a child in each class who is making excellent progress with their times tables!

This week champions are:

1P: Miraj S because of how many correct answers he has been giving on NumBots.

1C: Erin H because of how many coins she has been earning on NumBots.

2S: Aria-Rose because of the increased time she has spent playing TTRS.

2T: Ava M because of the increased number of days she has logged into TTRS.

3DM: Georgi M because of the incredible amount of coins he has won.

3P: Insiya for increasing the number of correct answers she is getting.

4F: Ava P for her massive improvement in her soundcheck (25/25!).

4H: Alex B for going on TTRS much more consistently.

5C: Saleh because of the incredible amount of coins he has won.

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5W: Jack W because of his consistency on TTRS over the last 2 weeks.

6P: Charlotte P because she has won so many coins!

6BM: Kenzie M for consistently playing TTRS over the last 2 weeks.

The next challenge:

Due to the non-pupil day next Friday and the Santa Run the following Friday, our next Friday Flyer assembly is not until the 16th December.

Therefore, over the next 3 weeks I am looking for the child in each class who has logged on to and played TTRS/ Numbots the most times.

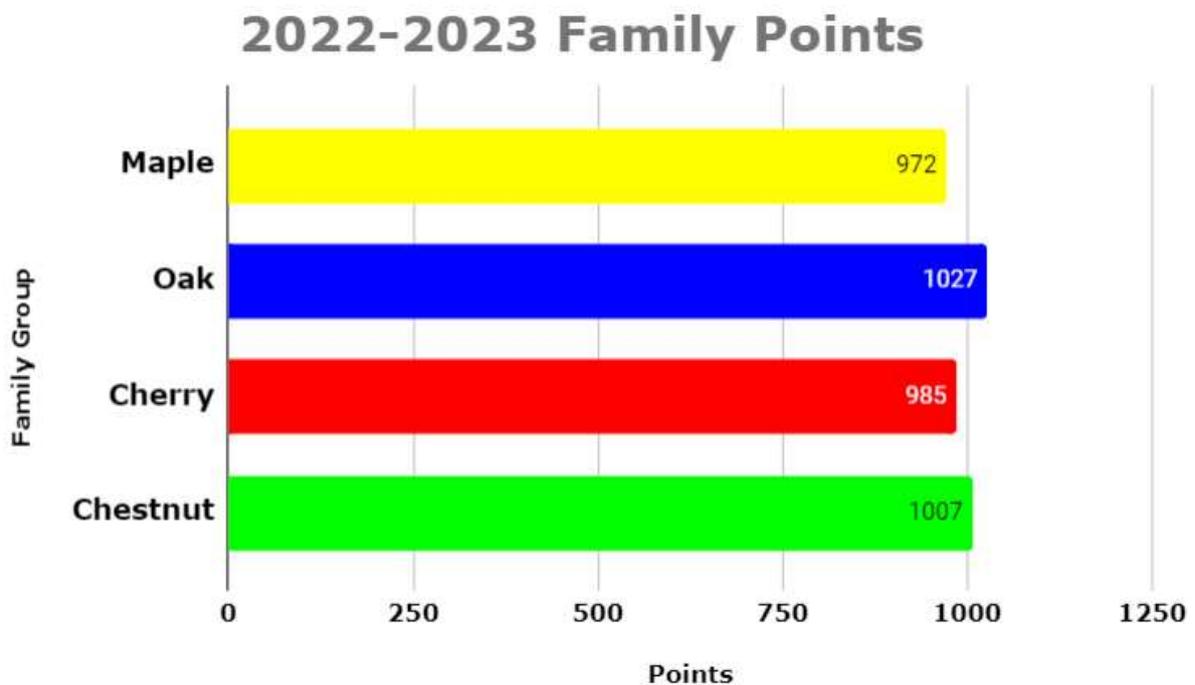
Can anyone log on and play every day for all 21 days?

There will be a certificate and a Christmas chocolate surprise for the winners!

Good luck!

Family points

In our family competition, Oak are the current leaders!



Reception

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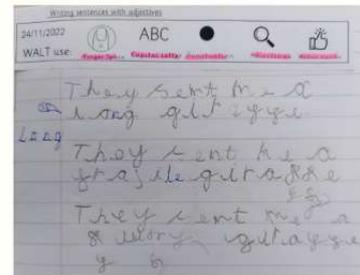
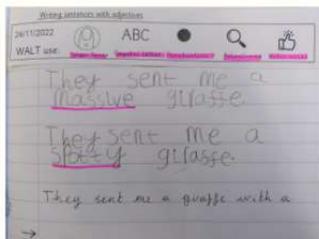
We've had a busy week but the children really enjoyed working in different family groups for our World cup day. Here we are making our own trophies and using printing to create footballs.



Year 1

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In English, we have been looking at a new book, Dear Zoo, and learning about adjectives. We came up with some adjectives to describe zoo animals and then wrote our own descriptive sentences.



Year 2

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Thea went all the way to London to take part in a performance!



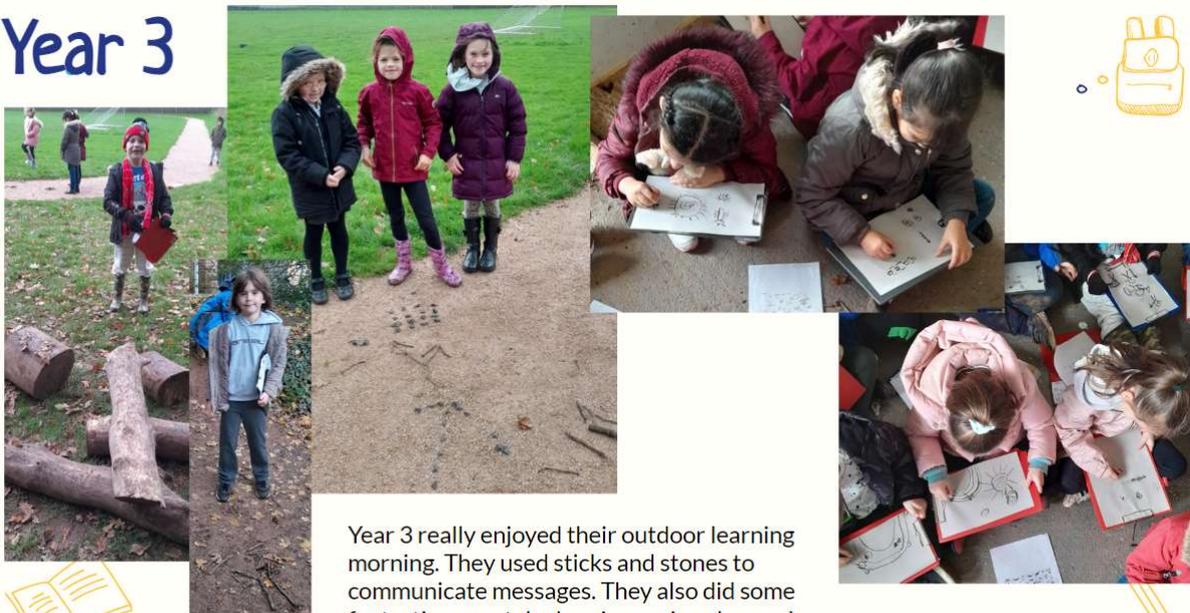
Anya, Zach and Thea visited the ~~set~~ enchanted tree they sat on a soft green ~~very~~ cushion but it was ~~very~~ green moss then they met their good friends Silky and Moonface they ~~ate~~ yummy pop cakes with them they were the best. At the top was the land of speed everything moves ~~is~~ very fast in speed land. When they got to the top of the tree they peeped through and then a hyena grabbed Thea. Anya and Zach were very sad when the hyena took Thea.



Our amazing adventure chapters based on Enid Blyton's Enchanted Wood

Year 3

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Year 3 really enjoyed their outdoor learning morning. They used sticks and stones to communicate messages. They also did some fantastic cave style drawings using charcoal.



Year 4

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This week in Year 4, we had a great time watching England's first game in the World Cup! We have also enjoyed our football PE lessons, learning skills to use during a game! We are all very excited for our DT day on Friday, where we are finally making our Viking Longships!



Year 5

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Year 5 enjoyed a great storytelling workshop on Wednesday, where they learnt to retell the Greek myth of Odysseus and the Cyclops!

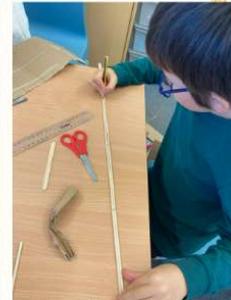


Year 6

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Year 6 have been continuing to design and construct their model Anderson shelters in D&T this week. As well as demonstrating careful consideration of the design brief and accurate measuring, they have continued to make us proud by showing our school value of teamwork!

In Maths this week, the Year Sixes have been adding and subtracting fractions and, in English, they have imagined being a child who assisted a dentist working during WW2, to inspire their writing.



Week 3

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Main Meal	Main Meal	Main Meal	Main Meal
Beef Burger in a Bun, Jacket Wedges and Peas	Ham Pasta Bake, Focaccia Bread and Salad	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Fresh Vegetables with Optional Gravy	Toad in the Hole, Creamy Mashed Potato, Sweetcorn, Carrots and Gravy
Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option
Quorn Sausage Casserole, Jacket Wedges and Peas	Vegetable Bean Chilli, Rice and Salad	Cauliflower Cheese, Roast Potatoes with Fresh Vegetables and Gravy	Vegetable Pasta Bake, Focaccia Bread, Sweetcorn and Carrots
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
Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert
Muffin	Flapjack	Jelly	Cake