



December 2017



Newsletter



Whole school attendance
November 2017
93.3%

Class with best attendance
Year 1 Oak
96.81%

Online Safety

Tip of the month...

Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are.

A message from our Head Teacher...



It was lovely to visit all the children's parties with Santa this afternoon delivering a gift from Crossfield Construction, the company who is building our new nursery and reception classes. I am looking forward to the new year when we will be able to see the children and staff living and learning in these purpose built spaces. When we come back on **Monday January 8th 2018**, the children will all return to their current classrooms and then we will let you know how we are going to manage the move! It will all be worth it in the end!

The children have been amazing, as always, and shared their wonderful productions with hundreds of family members over the last few weeks. As I write this we just have Christmas dinner and an attendance celebration assembly to look forward to on Thursday before closing for Christmas on **Thursday 21st December at 2pm**. I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful and healthy New Year!



Calendar

21.12.17	School closes for Christmas 2pm
22.12.17	INSET day school closed
8.1.18	School opens for Spring
18.1.18	Help your child with Art Family Learning session 1
23.1.18	FAST session 1 3:15-5:45pm
30.1.18	FAST session 2 3:15-5:45pm
6.2.18	FAST session 3 3:15-5:45pm
13.2.18	FAST session 4 3:15-5:45pm

FAST is starting in January!

In January we will be starting our fabulous FAST sessions again for all our Year One families.

Do you want to be served your tea by your children?
Do you want some special 1 to 1 play with your Year One child?

Do you want some time to yourself with some adult conversation and a hot cup of tea?

If the answer is yes to those questions then FAST is the place for you!

We already have 7 families signed up and places are limited.

Come and see Mrs Ullein to sign up as soon as possible!





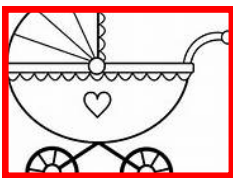
Christmas jumper day

Thanks to your generous donations we raised £128 for Save the Children!



Hello & Goodbye

We say good luck to Mrs Millar as she goes on her maternity leave and a big thank you to Mrs Leech for her term in Nursery. After Christmas we welcome back Mrs Smith from her maternity leave to Nursery and Mrs Bevan into year 5.



Learning Today for Tomorrow

Christmas Performances



All the children have taken part in some amazing Christmas performances this year. Nursery and Reception performed 'The Nativity', Year 1 & 2 performed a fabulous 'Lights, Camel, Action' take on Strictly Come Dancing, Year 3 & 4 performed 'A Winsford Christmas Tale', Year 5 took part in the WEP Cantata at the Lifestyle Centre and Year 6 performed 'Superstar' We have some VERY talented pupils at Willow Wood, who I'm sure will have their names in lights one day!



Christmas Crafts

It was lovely to have so many of our parents join us for our two Christmas craft afternoons. We hope you all had fun making those lovely decorations with your children and getting covered in glitter!



Free School Meals And Pupil Premium

You may be entitled to free school meals for your child if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal

OR if your child has been adopted or is under a special guardianship order. Please speak to Mrs Smith in the school office.

It is important that you register, even if your child currently receives Universal Free Infant School Meals as there is additional funding (Pupil Premium) that school can apply for.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>