Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been a busy week for year 6 taking their SATS tests. The children have done really well – they have been focused and determined. We are all really proud of you but not just for this week but for the hard work you have put in over this year.

SATs tests don’t assess what makes each of you special. Nor do they capture the many talents you have in sports and music or how thoughtful and kind you can be.

The week has been sunny and so it was great to end the afternoon on Thursday with an ice cream and having fun with friends. Thank you to staff who came in early to make breakfast for year 6.

“If you are thinking a year ahead, sow seeds.
If you are thinking ten years ahead, plant a tree.
If you are thinking one hundred years ahead, educate people”
Chinese Poem 500BC

Uniform

It is now time to start thinking about what uniform you will require for your child in September. Orders placed through school need to be handed to the school office by Tuesday 4th June, if you wish to receive the uniform before the summer holidays. These orders will be available for collection on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th July. Order forms can be collected from the school office or website, click here for uniform details, please complete and return to school with the correct payment. Alternatively place an order on the Sims Pay system (Agora).

Orders placed through school after Tuesday 4th June and before Tuesday 16th July will be delivered to school during the first week of the autumn term. Any orders placed after 16th July may not be delivered to school until late September.

Alternatively uniform can be ordered direct from Brigade through their website, www.brigade.uk.com Internet orders can be placed up to Monday 5th August for delivery before September.

Token invited the afternoon nursery children to learn a fun dance routine in the hall. We had lots of fun.

Thank you Token.
Nursery News

Nursery have been growing lots of produce. Children have been helping to look after broad beans, strawberries, sunflowers and potatoes.

The potatoes are starting to grow in Nursery.

Nursery have been growing their sunflowers again. Watch this space for further news on how tall they are growing.

This week’s story we are sharing is “The very lazy ladybird”

We have made a story map, and used Pie Corbett’s method of retelling the story using actions, we counted and matched dots, all while learning to wait for a turn with friends playing ladybird dominoes.

Finally, we made collage ladybirds.
Willows Nursery News

Afterschool Art Club
This week in Art Club, we made salt dough letters, decorated animal masks with collage materials and made patterns using 2D shapes.

“I like painting.” Jack

“I like doing very artistic stuff” Lacey

Year 4 – Abseiling and Archery

Year 4 are doing really well with rock climbing, abseiling and swimming lessons. It is fantastic to see their confidence grow as they overcome any initial fears.

Diary Dates

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Richard Lee is excited to have been shortlisted for funding by the Tesco Bags of Help scheme for our much-needed School Library project. Tesco only shortlist 3 projects across each region every 2 months, then the lucky winner of each regional public vote wins £4,000 to fund their project. Public voting happens in Tesco stores from Wednesday 1st May until Sunday 30th June. Simply ask for the blue tokens when you pay for shopping in Tesco and pop them in the Richard Lee voting box near the store exit. Please ask all your friends and family to vote as well – Every little helps!

Our project aims to help with the creation of a new dedicated School Library space where our children can enjoy reading and help to improve their literacy whilst delighting in stories and information books with subjects to suit everyone. We want to make the new library a bright imaginative space and need to raise this money for bookcases, chairs and most importantly books!

The difference that winning this vote would make to our children is immeasurable and chances like this don’t come along every day so please help by voting for us to Win Win Win!! For more information visit www.tesco.com/bagsofhelp

Wild life Trust – Random Acts of Wildness

This June, The Wild Life Trust challenge you to do something wild every day. That’s 30 simple, fun and exciting Random Acts of Wildness. They are giving you a free pack of goodies to help you plan your wild month, plus lots of ideas from your Wildlife Trust to inspire you to stay wild all throughout June (and beyond!).

To get your free 30 Days Wild pack, which includes a wallchart, a poster, an interactive booklet and some stickers to help you go wild, just select who is taking part and take the next step! Find out more: https://action.wildlifetrusts.org/page/40705/petition/1

May Half Term Activities