

# Newsletter 12 – 23.02.2024

*'Be the Light!'*

You are the light of the world – like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden – Matthew 5:14



**Willow Park**  
C of E Primary School



Welcome back to term 4. Sadly the weather isn't so cheerful but we are all glad to be back, working together. The school have returned settled, ready for learning. We have had a whole school focus on a book, Beegu, and the children have been fully immersed in writing for purpose. The week started with a spaceship being spotted in the Jubilee garden.... The children were very keen to investigate further!

### Crime in Bristol.

You will have heard on the news and through the local community that there has been a series of youth crime in Bristol. I have written to you separately about this. If you would like to speak to us further please do not hesitate to contact us. Please be assured that your children are safe with us on site and we have procedures in place for when situations arise.

### Holidays

There has been a huge spike in families taking holiday recently, and all families will be issued with a fine of £60 per child per parent. Please remember that holidays will always be unauthorised and that missing school time will have an impact on academic progress.

### PTA

The PTA are organising 2 cake sales during this term. The first one will be Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March and the other will be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Both cake sales will take place after school on the playground. The cake sale will go towards Year 1 trip to Bristol Cathedral.

### World Book Day

As we do every year, we are going to be celebrating world book day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – we shall let you know further details as and when we know them!

It looks like it is going to be another miserable weekend for weather. I hope you manage to relax and enjoy your time and we look forward to seeing you again next week.

With very best wishes  
Chris Phillips  
Headteacher

### Attendance this week.....

Our School Target is 96%

Attendance not great this week, but well done to Goldfinch class for the highest attendance this week!

Attendance this week: 91.6%

Class	Attendance
Goldfinch	93.5%
Sparrow	90.2%
Robin	89.8%
Kingfisher	85%
Owl	81.8%
Starling	79.2%

## PTA DISCO

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

The PTA is organising a whole school disco at the end of this term. It will be £3 per child and £1.50 for any other siblings. Tickets are available in the office from next week.

## HOUSE TREAT

Well done to **Yellow team** who have won the house treat from term 3.

You will get your extra play next week.

### House points so far this term....

Red team <b>84</b>	Yellow team <b>61</b>
Green team <b>115</b>	Blue team <b>175</b>

#### **FORGIVENESS** is...

Forgetting the hurts  
**O**ffering a new beginning  
**R**estoring a friendship  
**G**iven and received  
**I**dentifying responsibility  
**V**aluing the truth  
**E**nding an argument  
**N**ot holding a grudge  
**E**ncouraging honesty  
**S**aying sorry  
**S**tarting again.

Our value of the term  
this term is  
**FORGIVENESS.**

We shared this  
poem in assembly  
this week. Please  
talk to your children  
about the meaning of  
forgiveness.

### Who has been *the light* this week?

Congratulations to the following  
children who have shown  
excellence in their learning and  
behaviour this week!

**Tchui, Jeffrin, Daniel,  
Ronis, Jasleen,  
Telema, Isla, Basil,  
Prajeeth, Leyah, Xeo  
and Henil**

## Dates for the diary

Here are some dates for your diary... we will continue to add  
to these dates as the year goes on.

Here are the term dates for this academic year:

### 2023 to 2024

- **Term 1:** Friday 1 September 2023 to Friday 20 October 2023
  - **Term 2:** Monday 30 October 2023 to Friday 15 December 2023
  - **Term 3:** Tuesday 2 January 2024 to Friday 9 February 2024
  - **Term 4:** Monday 19 February 2024 to Thursday 28 March 2024
  - **Term 5:** Monday 15 April 2024 to Friday 24 May 2024
  - **Term 6:** Monday 3 June 2024 to Tuesday 23 July 2024
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- 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Word Book Day – more information to follow
  - 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Governors spending the day in school
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 – Goldfinch visit to SS Geat Britain
  - 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Whole School Disco organised by the PTA
  - 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Whole school Easter service at St Stephens
  - 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Multilingualism Day – more information to follow
  - 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – End of term 4