

Newsletter 11 – 26.01.2024

'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



It has been a while since I last wrote to you all as a community. I hope you are all well and that you are all well rested. It's been a really busy term already at Willow Park since we returned after Christmas. As always the children have returned settled and attitudes to learning is second to none. You all have very special children that demonstrate being the light on a daily basis.

Children leaving

We are aware that over the next few days we are losing a few children who are moving out of Bristol to start their lives in new cities across the country. Some children are going to London, South Gloucestershire, and Newport and even as far as Swansea. We will miss all children deeply and they have all had a huge impact on the community at Willow Park. Good luck on your new adventure and we look forward to hearing from you!

Student teachers

As you are aware we have had student teachers with us, gaining experience to become excellent teachers. Mr Nelson, who has been in Year 2 will be returning to BGS next week and Mr Wood, who has been in Year 3/4 will be returning to University to continue with his studies. We wish them all the very

best in the next stages of their development.

PTA

We are really hoping that we can get our PTA up and running again. If you are interested please see a member of staff in the office or speak to Kath Baker (SMSA and parent) if you want to know more!

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend. I am hoping that the bad weather has now passed and that we will start to see more sunshine and warmth! But you never know! Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

With Best wishes

Mr Phillips
Headteacher

Attendance this week.....

Our School Target is 96%

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

Attendance this week: 91.6%

Class	Attendance
Robin class	95.8%
Sparrow	95.1%
Goldfinch	93%
Owl	91.7%
Starling	91.2%
Kingfisher	84.7%

Chinese New Year

We will be celebrating Chinese New Year on the 8th February with a special assembly.

You are all invited to join us for our assembly at 9:05am!

INSET DAY

Please remember that Willow Park will be closed on the last day of term, Friday 9th February 2024, for staff training.

Many thanks

'In all we do and all we say, let's all be the Light today!'

House points so far this term....

Red team 156	Yellow team 194
Green team 195	Blue team 195



Year 2 have created some art work using fruit and natural resources! There is some talent in this class for sure!!

Who has been *the light* this week?

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

**Haniah, Alex,
Anastasia, Maen, Abdul
Baes, Zadok, Jeff, Ryane,
Nour, Vashthi, Rinad and
Elijah**

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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- Wednesday 31st January 2024 – Reception weight and height screening
 - Thursday 1st February 2024 – Kingfisher visit to the New Rooms
 - Thursday 8th February 2024 – Chinese New Year assembly – all invited
 - Thursday 8th February 2024 – last day of term for children
 - Friday 9th February 2024 – INSET day – school closed for children
 - Monday 19th February 2024 – first day of term 4 for children and staff