

**Attendance and Lates – Our Attendance Target for the year is 96.5%**

This week: 94.1% and 19 lates.

Year to date: 95.2%.

Reception 91.3%, <b>7 lates</b>	Year 1 95.7%, <b>7 lates</b>	Year 2 91.3%, <b>1 late</b>	Year 3 95.9%, <b>0 late</b>	Year 4 92.5%, <b>1 late</b>	Year 5 94.5%, <b>2 lates</b>	Year 6 94.8%, <b>1 late</b>
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**Behaviour**

Our recent Parent View questionnaire highlighted that some parents were unaware of the standard of behaviour in classrooms. We will be sharing each week how many children in each class are consistently in the right place, at the right time and doing the right thing.

Reception 30/30	Year 1 29/30	Year 2 28/30	Year 3 28/29	Year 4 28/28	Year 5 29/29	Year 6 31/31
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**'I'm Possible' winners**

- Reception: Jacob Gill**
- Reception: Oliver Haigh**
- Year 1: Ashton Smith**
- Year 1: Ava Johnson**
- Year 1: Leah Jackson**
- Year 2: The Whole Class**
- Year 3: Isla**
- Year 3: Billie Mai Garbutt**
- Year 4: Destiny Allen**
- Year 4: Lottie-Lou Horton**
- Year 5: Jack Haigh**
- Year 5: Marlie-Mai Wilson**
- Year 5: Callum Hough**
- Year 5: Olivia Farnell**
- Year 6: Bethany Thorpe**

**Up and Coming Key Dates**

- Tuesday 19/12/17      KS2 Christmas Party afternoon
- Wednesday 20/12/17      Christmas Jumper Day  
Christmas Lunch  
Foundation and  
KS1 Christmas Party afternoon
- Thursday 21/12/17      End of half term

**Christmas Jumper Day**

Normal school uniform rules apply on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December, but wear your Christmas jumper instead of your school jumper.

**E-safety**

We take safety on-line seriously at Willow Green. We understand that educating parents as well as children is an important step to achieving confident users of the internet, social media and technology in general. Here are some useful e-safety web links for parents and pupils to help improve your awareness of the dangers and benefits of safe online usage.

[www.netsmartz.org/Safety/SafetyTips](http://www.netsmartz.org/Safety/SafetyTips)  
[www.kidsmart.org.uk](http://www.kidsmart.org.uk)

[www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe)  
[www.ceop.police.uk](http://www.ceop.police.uk)

[www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)  
[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

### Nursery

This week we have been really busy with our Christmas crafts, making lots of fun pictures with glitter and sequins. We have had polar bears and penguins in the icy water and have made some fantastic Christmas puddings in our cinnamon play dough. Our letter sound next week will be 'u' so if your child would like to bring anything in that starts with that sound for phonics table. Follow us @WGreenNurs.

### Reception

It has been a great week watching the children perform their first Christmas Nativity. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and sang beautifully. We have been reading The Jolly Christmas Postman and have helped the postman to post his letters after he had an unfortunate fall and hurt his ankle. We have also written some great letters of our own to post in the correct doors! We are looking forward to next week and the big build up to Santa! Follow us @WGreenRec.

### Year 1

We shared our wonderful singing in the Christmas shows this week. The children have worked hard to learn the songs to accompany the Year Two children and are looking forward to next year when they will be the ones performing on stage! We have continued with our work on subtraction in Maths and in English, we have been using time words to retell the Christmas story. Our Whole Class Reading sessions this week have been largely based around the sports and races that took place in the story. We have enjoyed having a go at these races ourselves in the hall and did some great work imagining what some of the characters might be thinking. Our Science topic - investigating materials was good fun this week, we enjoyed using the magnets to find out which materials are magnetic and which are not. Follow us @WGreenY1.



### Year 2

We have been incredibly busy this week with our nativity performance. On Monday the whole school got to see our first performance of our play 'Little Angel Gets Her Wings'. The play went incredibly well and the whole school really enjoyed it. On Tuesday and Wednesday we performed to our parents. We all felt very nervous but remembered all the hard work and effort we put in to making the show happen and soon got over our nerves. The children loved making the show so much that we are now writing recounts about our experience. From what I have read so far these are fabulous, I can't wait to read more! I hope you enjoyed the performances. Follow us @WGreenY2.

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### Year 3

This week in Year 3 we have been busy improving our stories of Moz, making sure we include lots of description about what Moz looks like and what his personality is like. We also got hands on with our science, looking at chicken wings to investigate how muscles and tendons help our skeletons to move. We were all fascinated to see how the wings moved because of the muscles, and now have a better idea about how the muscles in our own bodies work. Follow us @WillowGreenYr3.

### Year 4

This week we have been getting in the Christmas spirit by learning about Christmas around the world. First, we learnt the Christian Christmas story and are now re-telling it but from the perspective of the donkey. We made some fantastic and interesting predictions and what he might have been feeling or thinking at each point in the story. Then, we investigated Indonesia and found out that they call Santa Clause Sinterklass and traditional eat cookies with pineapple jam at Christmas. After that, we researched Thailand and found out that they don't get a day off at Christmas and have to go to school! They also decorate elephants with Christmas hats and have curry for their Christmas dinner. Follow us @WGreenY4.

### Year 5

As the Autumn term draws to a close we have been completing our topic on the Vikings looking at the skill of weaving. We've discovered it requires nimble fingers and concentration - much more than some of us anticipated. The effort is however reaping rewards with some wonderful crafting taking place. We have finally completed our explanations on the demise of dragons using fabulous vocabulary and extending our sentences with a wider range of cohesive devices. If you want to know our theories then just ask - they are very creative indeed. Our Earth in Space topic is drawing to a close as we have investigated changes in daylight hours, using data to identify patterns along with detailed scientific illustrations. Let's hope our interest in our planet continues. Well done to all in Year 5. Follow us @WGreenY5.

### Year 6

Year 6 have enjoyed taking a step back in time this week through our writing. We explored a goblin's cave and used figurative language to paint a clear picture in the reader's mind. In topic, we are currently weaving our own dream catchers and have shown a fantastic eye for colours and patterns in our designs. Follow us @WGreenY6.