



Head of Academy's Message
Whole School Attendance: 93%

This Week's Number of Children with 100% is 165

YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
183 DAYS 96% 	175 DAYS 92% 	More than 18 days absence less than 90% 	183 DAYS 96% 	175 DAYS 92% 	179 DAYS 94%
Off to a flying start 96%	Harder to make progress 92%	Persistent Absentee (not far on your child) 87%	Off to a flying start 98%	Harder to make progress 93%	Less chance of success 94%

Dear Parent/Carer,

It might be nearly summer but we aren't slowing down at Willow Green!

This week, I had the pleasure of accompanying our Year 5 class on their trip to London. The class has been learning about politics in history, including past rulers and how our country became a democracy. As part of their trip, they enjoyed a tour of the Houses of Parliament, impressively sharing their knowledge and understanding from their lessons. All Year 5 pupils demonstrated exemplary behaviour throughout the trip, ensuring both their safety and enjoyment. It was a joy to be a part of the trip and see what outstanding representatives of our school Year 5 are.

At the other end of school, our EYFS pupils enjoyed their sports day. It was a wonderful afternoon, full of fun and excitement. Everyone commented on how well the children organised themselves and competed in their races. Hence again, we would like to thank everyone who came to support. It really makes the day special for our pupils.

Then on Thursday, we enjoyed our transition day. The children enjoyed meeting their new teachers and getting to know their new classroom. It was wonderful walking around school and seeing how respectful, kind and hardworking every class was. We can't wait to see the learning that comes from each class next year.

Congratulations to everyone involved in supporting Armed Forces Day and raising £125.85. Your generosity and effort are greatly appreciated. Well done to all!

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you next week!

Mr Parkinson

WGA Golden Stars

FS2
Elsie

FS1
Shajan

Year 1
Alfie S

Year 2
Vinnie

Year 3
Jack A

Year 4
Grace E

Year 5
Whole Class!

Year 6
Finley

English Stars

FS2
Maya*

Year 1
Rory P

Year 2
Zach

Year 3
Charlotte

Year 4
Cohan

Year 6
William and Lache

Maths Champions

FS2
Kai

Y1
Freddie

Y2
Dexter

Y3
Jake

Y4
Jacob



EYFS

Weekly Attendance: 87%

This week, we have had a great sports day where parents and carers came to watch all of our hard work as we have been practising tremendously hard to throw, run, jump and encourage our friends as they competed. We learned that sometimes we might not win, but that is good because we have tried our best and persevered even though it was tricky. Children in FS2 and FS1 said that they are very proud of themselves!

Year 2

Weekly Attendance: 92%

This week we had a special visitor! Mother Sharon came into Year 2 and talked to us about how we can show respect when visiting a church. In maths, we practised showing quarter to and quarter past on the clock and revised o'clock and half past. We finished our pirate stories and used the toolkit to edit and improve our ideas.



Year 1

Weekly Attendance: 96%

Year One have had a very creative week. In English, we have been innovating the story of Grandad's Island and making our own portal stories. Then, on Tuesday in art, we learnt how to use tracing paper to copy a picture. The children were amazed at how it magically took their drawing from the tracing paper to actual paper. They had a wonderful afternoon creating lots of different African animals. We then went on to explore soft pastels and learnt to layer pastels to create different colours. Finally, we took this skill and used it to create our own African sunsets for our silhouettes to go on. The results are wonderful. Keep an eye out for the children bringing their art home at the end of term.



Year 3

Weekly Attendance: 87%

What a great week for Year 3. In English, we have started our new topic on character flaws. We have started to write about different characters that have a trait which would be unpopular. We based our writing off the main characters in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. In maths, we completed our last MTC test. I've got to say Year 3 have blown me away with the amount of practice they have put in and their scores reflect this. Finally, I've got to say how proud I am of Year 3 for their work on transition morning. It's not easy moving to a new class but they smashed it and I am very proud.

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At that moment, Grobber the Belch fumbled in panting! "Dragon! On the beach!" he whimpered, before burping anxiously. Seconds later, screams broke the Silence, panic flooded the Cramped Cave.

"SHUBB-UP!" Stoick the Vast ordered loudly, sending the Novices back to the Village.

Year 4

Weekly Attendance: 98%

It has been a brilliant week in Year 4 with lots of learning taking place. In writing, we have begun the mammoth task of innovating the model text for our defeating the monster plot. We have had lots of fun linking this to our reading text 'how to train your dragon' with lots of us defeating our own dragons! Science has seen us observe the negative impacts humans can have on our habitats, especially marine and forests. We carried out an experiment which helped us understand the ramifications of oil spills and how it affects marine life. Although the experiment was a lot of fun we were all saddened by the real world implications. In geography, we have become investigators, carrying out independent research to help us understand what features lead to areas in North America being more or less populated than others. Lots of interesting facts were shared to aid us in our understanding. Well done on yet another fabulous week Year 4, enjoy your weekend.

Year 5

Weekly Attendance: 93%

One of the best weeks so far! Year 5 took on a massive journey on Tuesday as we went on our school trip to London. They all showed exemplary behaviour throughout, listening to instructions, staying safe, enjoying the experiences, and sharing their knowledge. We completed our tour of the Houses of Parliament, saw Buckingham Palace, walked through St James' Park and so much more! It was a very tiring day, but definitely worth it. In addition, we have been writing our journey stories in English, continuing our reading of "Who Let the Gods Out," and enjoying learning about the Suffragettes. It has been an amazing week full of new experiences and learning opportunities!



Year 6

Weekly Attendance: 94%

This week, our students have continued illustrating and crafting their own storybooks, blending creativity with narrative skills. They also began developing their rounders skills, focusing on throwing, catching, and retrieving. Additionally, students experienced a transition day to high school, getting a glimpse of their future educational environment and preparing for the next exciting chapter in their academic journey.

Willow Green Academy considers the welfare of all our pupils to be of great importance and we hope that parents are confident about their children's health and safety whilst in our academy. We will always try to share any concerns we have with parents.

However, there are times when we are legally obliged to share our concerns with other agencies, without first speaking to parents, or without the consent of parents. The safety and protection of our pupils is our most important concern and we wish to reassure you that any sharing of information is done with the children's best interest at heart. If you have any concerns about the welfare or safety of any child in our school, the Designated Child Protection Officer is Miss L Walker. In her absence, you should contact Mr C Parkinson. They can be contacted through the main office. The academy has a duty to inform parents that there is a prohibition on reporting or publishing details (including on social media) that could identify anyone who is subject to an allegation.

The Government have launched a new website aimed at parents, teachers and school leaders to give practical advice on protecting young people from extremism and radicalisation. This was launched by the Education Secretary and contains information which address many questions / issues faced by parents and children.