



# Willow Grove Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

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*We will enjoy learning  
and have fun together!*



**Spring Term 2025**  
**Newsletter 06**  
*14th February 2025*

This week the children have been enjoying taking part in lessons about how to stay safe online, these are life skills that they will also be able to use at home on their devices. We have also had lots of lovely art work from Beech class and seen some fantastic examples of lighthouses, including electrical circuits, from Rowan class. You can see some of these on the next page. You should have received a link to join Class DoJo, please join up as it is a great way to find out more about the work that is happening in school, with some instant updates, rather than waiting for the weekly newsletter.

I received a very polite and well written letter from Cherry class on Thursday. They have requested that we hold a non-uniform day in school on Friday the 21st of March so that they can raise some funds for Cancer Research. I am really proud that our children are so kind and community minded.

Thank you for your support with today's non uniform day to raise some money for mental health based activities in school. The children have enjoyed expressing themselves by wearing their own choice of clothes.

Thank you to everyone for a fantastic half-term at Willow Grove.  
Have a lovely half term break, we look forward to seeing you all on Monday the 24th of February.

*Miss Glover*

**Happy birthday to Lucas, Rocco, Summer,  
Miss Trevor and Miss Owens!**



### Dates for your diary

17th-21st February-Half term week. Children return to school on Monday 24th of February.

3rd March-Animals Take Over, visit to school for children.

5th March-School photograph day, photographer visiting school for individual photographs.

21st of March-Non uniform day to raise funds for Cancer Research (as arranged by Beech class).



### **Goodbye and good luck Mr Hurst!**



Today we say goodbye to Mr Hurst as he leaves Willow Grove to further his career with vulnerable children in the care sector. Mr Hurst has worked at Willow Grove since October 2019 and he has brought fun, humour, compassion and caring to his time at our school.

The children, staff and Governors will miss him a lot but we wish him all the best on his new adventure.

*"Education is the kindling of a flame, not the filling of a vessel."*  
*Socrates*

### **Attendance matters!**

Please aim for 100% attendance.  
If your child is unwell then contact the school office on 01942 727 717 to report their absence.

## Mental Health Workshops during half-term

As part of the Family Hub offer, the Mental Health Support Team in Schools are offering a series of parent/carer workshops to provide psychoeducation and support around anxiety and low mood during the February Half Term across each of our Family Hubs. Please share across your teams and promote to all families you are working with. Please see below Eventbrite links to book, booking is essential. Please paste the link into your browser to book.

**Understanding Anxiety Workshop for Parents/Carers - Family Hub at The Meadows, Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February**  
10.00-11.30am - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1237636146029?aff=oddtcreator> 5.00-6.30pm - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1237677419479?aff=oddtcreator>

**Understanding Anxiety Workshop for Parents/Carers - Tyldesley Linked Site (Family Hub at Formby Avenue), Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February** 1.00-2.30pm - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1237690027189?aff=oddtcreator>

**Understanding Anxiety Workshop for Parents/Carers – Family Hub at Mornington Road, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February**  
10.00-11.30am - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1237710107249?aff=oddtcreator>

**Understanding Low Mood Workshop for Parents/Carers – Family Hub at Mornington Road, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February**  
1.00-2.30pm - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1237758060679?aff=oddtcreator>

3.00-4.30pm - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1237737097979?aff=oddtcreator>

Take care of your mental health!

**If you or someone you know is in danger or experiencing a mental health crisis, please dial 999.**



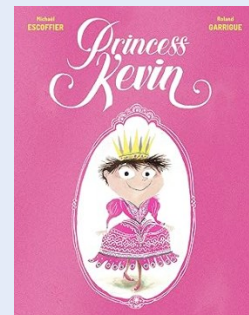
Rowan class have used their scientific skills to create working electrical circuits and add them to their lighthouses. Well done Rowan!

Beech class have made some fantastic collages of landscapes by ripping up paper and arranging it into layers.



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## Beech class recommend...



This year, Kevin is going to the school fancy dress show as a princess. Wearing his sister's dress and his mum's lipstick, Kevin knows he looks good. His costume is perfect but he knows that the best costumes are authentic. So he is outraged that none of the knights will partner with him and complete the look.

Things don't go quite as smoothly as he planned. Next year, there is only one thing for it. He will just have to be something even more fabulous.

This is a heartwarming and funny story about imagination, diversity and persevering at expressing yourself.

**Willow Grove  
is a reading school!**