

# Willow Tree Primary School

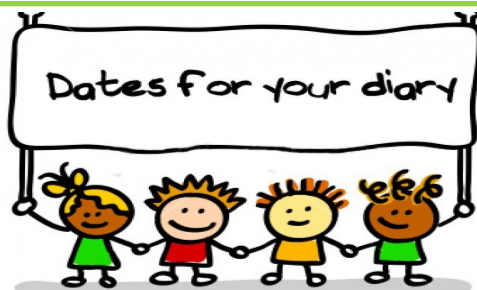
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Return to School - **Tuesday 4th January**



**Have a safe and happy Christmas holiday**



## Internet Advice for Parents and Carers

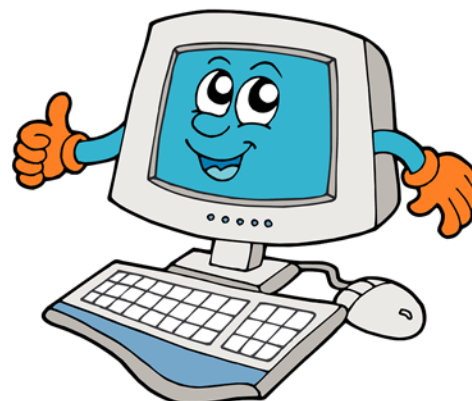
Lots of us will continue to rely on technology over the winter break, for entertainment and keeping in touch with friends and family.

The following articles contain useful information to help parents and carers keep their children safer online:

[A parent's guide to privacy settings](#)

[Gaming: what parents and carers need to know](#)

[What is the Internet of Things \(IoT\)?](#)



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## Get Caught Reading Competition!

Over the Christmas holidays, pupils are invited to enter the **Get Caught Reading** competition organised by Mr Perkins.

All you need to do is email ([admin@willowtree.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@willowtree.n-yorks.sch.uk)) a photo of your child reading a book in an unusual place!

*The closing date for the competition is **Tuesday 4th January 2022**.*

*See the letter under 'Letters Home' section on the school website for more details*

*Use your imagination and be creative!*



Thank you to everyone who collected Morrisons 'It's Good to Grow' vouchers.

Thanks to your generosity we have been able to order gardening equipment for school including gardening gloves, wildflower seeds and wheelbarrows.

Thank you!

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## End of Term Fun

Mrs Halpin received the most votes in the PTFA's 'Dress a Teacher as a Turkey' competition!



Reception had fun playing indoor 'snowballs'



The children enjoyed their Christmas parties



Key Stage 1 played Pin the Nose on Rudolph

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## Christmas Performance

Reception have been busy rehearsing their Christmas performance this week.



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# Spring 2022 Menu

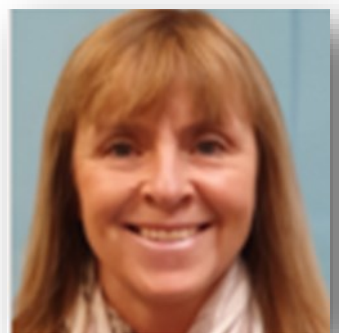
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Served w/c 3rd Jan, 24th Jan, 14th Feb, 14th March, 4th April	Served w/c 10th Jan, 31st Jan, 28th Feb, 21st March	Served w/c 17th Jan, 7th Feb, 7th March, 28th March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</li> <li>Sauté Potatoes with Peas &amp; Sweetcorn</li> <li>✓ Baked Bean or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Ice Cream &amp; Peaches</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Chicken Pasta Bake</li> <li>Carrots &amp; Green Beans</li> <li>Cheese or Tuna Jacket Potato</li> <li>Iced Lemon Cake</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Flavoury Minced Beef &amp; Yorkshire Pudding</li> <li>Roast Potatoes</li> <li>✓ Baked Bean or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Chocolate &amp; Vanilla Marble Cake</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Sausages, Mash &amp; Gravy</li> <li>Carrots &amp; Cauliflower</li> <li>Tuna or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Chocolate Crunch</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Fish Fingers</li> <li>Sweetcorn &amp; Peas</li> <li>Chipped Potatoes</li> <li>✓ Baked Bean or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Jam Sponge</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pasta Bolognese</li> <li>Peas &amp; Sweetcorn</li> <li>✓ Cheese or Baked Bean Jacket Potato</li> <li>Oat &amp; Sultana Cookie</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Chicken Casserole</li> <li>Roast Potatoes with Carrots &amp; Cauliflower</li> <li>Tuna or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Iced Bun</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Roast Pork with Gravy</li> <li>Creamy Mashed Potato with Sweetcorn &amp; Peas</li> <li>✓ Cheese or Baked Bean Jacket Potato</li> <li>Custard Cookie</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>✓ Cheese &amp; Tomato Pasta Bake</li> <li>Carrots &amp; Green Beans</li> <li>Tuna or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Shortcake</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Crunchy Salmon Fillet</li> <li>✓ Cheese Wheel</li> <li>Chipped Potatoes</li> <li>Sweetcorn &amp; Peas</li> <li>Sultana Flapjack</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken Korma &amp; Rice</li> <li>Sweetcorn &amp; Peas</li> <li>✓ Cheese or Baked Bean Jacket Potato</li> <li>Vanilla Sponge</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>✓ Creamy Mac &amp; Cheese</li> <li>Cauliflower &amp; Carrots</li> <li>Cheese or Tuna Jacket Potato</li> <li>Chocolate Brownie</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Roast Chicken &amp; Gravy</li> <li>Roast Potatoes</li> <li>Sweetcorn &amp; Peas</li> <li>✓ Baked Bean or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Iced Banana Cake</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li>Beef Tortilla Wrap</li> <li>Wedges</li> <li>Carrots &amp; Green Beans</li> <li>Tuna or Cheese Jacket Potato</li> <li>Chocolate Berry Sponge</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> <li><i>Harry Ramsdens</i></li> <li>Harry Ramsdens Batteried Fish with Chipped Potatoes and Tomato Ketchup</li> <li>✓ Cheese &amp; Tomato Pasta Bake</li> <li>Peas &amp; Sweetcorn</li> <li>Carrot Cake</li> <li>Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt</li> </ul>



## Goodbye!



Today we say goodbye to Mrs Shermer who is leaving Willow Tree after 13 years.



Mrs Shermer has very kindly gifted two balance bikes to Little Oaks. Thank you very much Mrs Shermer, the children will have lots of fun on these!

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**The Y6 Street Dance Club is now open to Y5 and Y6.**

All club details are on the school website:

<https://www.willowtree.n-yorks.sch.uk/parents/clubs-and-activities>

Hannah from Elm has just received her gold swimming award. It's taken a lot of practice and effort to reach this stage - well done Hannah!



Mia Edmundson in Larch class took part in a zoom interview with author Lauren Child !

She joined Keira, who owns Reading Roots in Wetherby, to ask questions about her inspiration and new book in the Clarice Bean series.

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## ECO Challenge! Reduce, Re-use, Re-cycle

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<b>January</b> Quick wins! <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reusable water bottle</li><li>• Reusable coffee cup</li><li>• Invest in Tupperware! (No more sandwich bags)</li><li>• Turn off lights and plugs when not in use</li></ul>	<b>February</b> Laundry <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wash at 30/ECO setting</li><li>• Plastic free packaging- laundry egg, laundry sheets</li><li>• Reduce/no chemicals</li><li>• ECO friendly fabric conditioner/dryer eggs</li><li>• Reduce drier use</li><li>• No half loads</li></ul>	<b>March</b> Shower <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Soap/shampoo/conditioner bar</li><li>• Re-fillable bottles (online or re-fill shop)</li><li>• Yorkshire water- free water saving pack</li><li>• Reduce shower time!</li></ul>
<b>April</b> Cleaning <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Plant based products</li><li>• Plastic free packaging- refill bottles</li><li>• Make your own- 'just add water' or full make your own</li><li>• Planet detox, Koh, ocean saver, ECOver</li></ul>	<b>May</b> Food <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Make from scratch</li><li>• Shop local</li><li>• Seasonal produce</li><li>• Buy loose fruit and veg</li><li>• Try plant based milks - oat/almond/soya etc...</li><li>• Meatless Mondays (+ more meatless days per week!)</li></ul>	<b>June</b> Clothes <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduce purchases/ fast fashion!</li><li>• Buy local</li><li>• Second hand- charity shops</li><li>• Sustainable products/ materials</li><li>• Donate unwanted items</li></ul>

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<p>July</p> <p>Washing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plant based</li> <li>• Plastic free packaging/refillable</li> <li>• ECO dishwasher tabs</li> <li>• ECO washing up liquid/soap bar</li> <li>• Use the ECO wash cycle</li> </ul>	<p>August</p> <p>Self care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deodorant</li> <li>• Face wash/moisturiser</li> <li>• Candles</li> <li>• Re-usable/bamboo cotton buds</li> <li>• ECO sanitary products- mooncup4life, ECO pads/pants</li> <li>• Recyclable toilet paper</li> </ul>	<p>September</p> <p>Recycle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tins/plastic etc...</li> <li>• Compost if possible or recycle food waste</li> <li>• Use less water- use excess to water plants, turn off the tap when brushing teeth etc...</li> </ul>
<p>October</p> <p>Heat/Light</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swap to energy saving bulbs</li> <li>• Swap to renewable energy tariff</li> <li>• Turn the thermostat down by 1 degree</li> </ul>	<p>November</p> <p>Transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can you walk/cycle?</li> <li>• Use public transport</li> <li>• Car share</li> <li>• Consider hybrid/ electric cars</li> <li>• Is the journey necessary?</li> </ul>	<p>December</p> <p>Presents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buy sustainable gifts</li> <li>• Buy an experience</li> <li>• Buy local</li> <li>• Recycle wrapping paper</li> <li>• Gift card/money if unsure what to buy</li> </ul>

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