

Message from Mrs Branton

The children have enjoyed another busy week at school.

Holly Class Assembly

Holly class had their first ever class assembly this morning and it was fantastic! We enjoyed seeing their water colour poppy paintings for Remembrance Day and their cute little clay hedgehogs. They sung beautifully and showed great confidence when speaking. Holly class have clearly enjoyed their topic: All About Me and we are very proud of them.

Sports News

On Monday, some of our KS1 children had a brilliant morning visiting Thorndon Country Park. They took part in lots of creative outdoor activities from den building to fire lighting.



There was lots of excitement at the heats of the indoor athletics on Tuesday morning. 360 pupils from 12 schools attended the event. Some of our year 5&6 pupils enjoyed competing in various field and track races.



Huge congratulations to our year 6 archery team who finished 2nd in the Mid Essex County Finals on Wednesday.



Odd Socks Day

On Tuesday, we encouraged the children to come to school in odds socks as part of Anti Bullying Week 2024. We saw lots of fabulous odds socks and the children enjoyed explaining why they had chosen their socks for that day, a way of showing their unique personalities!

Children in Need

Thank you to all parents that gave a donation to Children in Need today. We saw lots of brightly coloured and spotty outfits and there were also lots of superheroes in school today!

Don't forget, whole school flu immunisations are taking place on Wednesday 20th November.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Branton



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Science in the News

Science is important for pupils because it helps them develop a variety of skills and knowledge that is useful for the future. At Willowbrook Primary School we support the children's scientific development through curiosity, critical thinking, great activities and investigations. Here is what Chestnut have learnt in Science so far. Well done!

Mrs Cirdei - Science Co-ordinator

Chestnut have started to learn about Sound. This topic is quite unique as it appears only once in the primary science curriculum. Chestnut have identified how sounds are made, associating some of them with vibrations. The children talked about how sounds travel through air to their ears and explored how different instruments create sounds. Brilliant work, children!



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DONATIONS required for the Children's Christmas Bazaar please



December is quickly approaching and we are starting to think about.... CHRISTMAS! Every year, we have a 'Children's Christmas Bazaar.' This is where the classes make Christmas themed products to sell with their class teacher and the children have a Christmas shopping afternoon in hall to buy presents and treats at very reasonable prices! All money raised from this event helps to subsidise events that we put on throughout the year such as trips and visitors. There are two stalls that we run for the children which relies on donations: a bric-a-brac stall and a toiletries stall. If you have any unwanted jewellery or toiletry items, or toys & books that are in good condition, we would really appreciate them. You can drop them in to the office for the attention of Mrs Youngblood. We are collecting from now until Monday 16th December.

Word of the week

'Wonderful words of the week'

Key Stage 1

Elm – acrostic
Beech - delicate

Key Stage 2

Whitebeam - eager
Chestnut - perform
Pine – evidence
Oak - existence





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Core value pupil

 <p>Each Working For All</p>  <p>Happiness Independence Respect Teamwork Caring Honesty</p>		<p>Well done to the core value pupil from Chestnut class who received this week's award for independence in the celebration assembly.</p>
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Important
Information



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Parent Coffee Morning!



Thursday 28th November 08:40-09:45am

To be held in the school hall

You are warmly invited to join us in the hall from 08:40 onwards for free tea/ coffee and biscuits.

It is a chance to have a catch-up with fellow parents from across the school. There will be a play area for your younger children whilst you have a cup of tea and a chat!

Join us to meet our school governors and our PTFA and find out a little about what they do to support our school.

We'll also be treated to a performance from Oak Class and the new Key Stage 2 choir.

Feel free to join us and leave at any time between 08:40 and 09:45am.

The PTFA will have Southend Adventure Island tickets and second-hand school uniform on sale.

Every adult who joins us will enter a raffle to win a prize!





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PTFA EVENTS

2024-2025



28/11/
2024

WINTER DISCO

**PARENT/CARER
QUIZ**

Evening - School Hall

19/03/
2025

19/06/
2025

SUMMER DISCO

SUMMER FAYRE

05/07/
2025

PTA@WILLOWBROOK.ESSEX.SCH.UK

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Essex Child & Family Wellbeing Service School Health Drop in Clinic



We can help with:

Growth/ dietary concerns

Continence advice (day/night wetting)

Sleep advice

Behaviour concerns

General health and development

No appointment necessary

Sunnyside Children's Centre

Rosebay Avenue

Billericay

CM120NP

Parents 9am-10am

Children & Young people 330-430

21/11/24

5/12/24

19/12/24



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ACTIVE

FREE HALF TERM ACTIVITY CLUBS IN BRENTWOOD!

Essex ActivAte helps to support eligible children and families during the school holidays and half term breaks, through free engaging and fun activities. Contact one of our clubs to book a space!

Jack Of All Sports (4-12 years)
Bentley St Pauls C of E - Pilgrims Hatch, CM15 9SE
jackofallsports@btinternet.com / 07919 888093
Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st October, 9am-3pm

SportsCool (4-11 years)
Holly Trees Primary School, Vaughan Williams Way, Brentwood, CM14 5RY
westessex@sportscool.org / 07935 535292
Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th October, 9am-1pm

Camp 4 Champs (4-14yrs)
St Peter's School, Wigley Bush Ln, South Weald, Brentwood CM14 5QN
bookings@camp4champs.co.uk / 020 8103 0101
Tuesday 29th October 9am-4pm | Friday 1st November, 9am-4pm

HCL Activity Camps (4-11yrs)
Hutton Community Centre, Harrison Close, Hutton, CM13 1LP
info@hollowaycoaching.co.uk / 01277 231600
Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th and Friday 31st October, 9am-3:15pm

Get Golfing , Food Fun & Golf (11+)
Warley Golf Club, Maggie Lane, Warley, Brentwood CM13 3DX
ann@getgolfing.org / 07956 318016
Monday 28th October and Thursday 31st October

SportsCool SEND Level 1-2 (4-11 years)
Holly Trees Primary School, Vaughan Williams Way, Brentwood, CM14 5RY
westessex@sportscool.org / 07935 535292
Tuesday 28th, Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th May, 9am-1pm

Kazen Kai AEF Outreach (11-16 years)
The Martial Arts Centre, Bannister Drive, Hutton, CM13 1YX
admin@kazenkai.com / 01277 262800
Tuesday 28th and Friday 31st May, 2pm-4pm

Find out more: activeessex.org

School Admissions

Primary school places for September 2025

From 4th November 2024 you can apply online for your child's primary (reception) school place.

Read about the [primary \(Reception\)](#) school place application process.

Applications received after the 15th January 2025 are considered late and will reduce your chance of being offered a place at your preferred schools.



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Childrens Lunch Menu

WK 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week commencing 18.11.24					
Main Meal RED	Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Tomato Sauce & Penne	Fajita Spiced Turkey & Vegetables with Steamed Rice	Herby Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Sweet & Sour Chicken with Steamed Rice	Breaded Fish Fingers with Chips & Ketchup
Main Vegetarian GREEN	Vegan Roasted Ratatouille with Penne (Ve)	Vegan Burrito (Ve)	3 Vegetable Mac n Cheese (V)	Vegan Chickpea & Spinach Korma with Steamed Rice (Ve)	Vegan Bubble & Squeak with Chips & Ketchup (Ve)
Alternative YELLOW	Jacket Potato with Cheese (V)	Pasta & Tomato Sauce (Ve)	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (Ve)	Pasta & Tomato Sauce (Ve)	Jacket Potato with Cheese (V)
Accompaniments	Carrots & Broccoli (Ve)	Sweetcorn (Ve) & Coleslaw (V)	Seasonal Greens & Broccoli (Ve)	Cauliflower & Carrots (Ve)	Peas & Baked Beans (Ve)
Cold Option	Cheese Sandwich (V) or Ham Sandwich or Tuna Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich (V) or Ham Sandwich or Tuna Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich (V) or Ham Sandwich or Tuna Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich (V) or Ham Sandwich or Tuna Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich (V) or Ham Sandwich or Tuna Sandwich
Dessert	Orange Shortbread Biscuit (Ve) Fresh Fruit (Ve)	Carrot Cake (V) Fresh Fruit (Ve)	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie (V) Fresh Fruit (Ve)	Vanilla Ice Cream (V) Fresh Fruit (Ve)	Apple & Parsnip Cake (V) Fresh Fruit (Ve)
(V) – Suitable for Vegetarians (Ve) – Suitable for Vegans & Vegetarians			Salad Bar available daily		



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WILLOWBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL PTFA

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM AVAILABLE

All items donated to the PTFA are thoroughly checked and washed.

We don't have prices for any items, we are happy to provide uniform to save families money and reduce clothing waste.

If you do however wish to make a cash donation to our PTFA charity, it is always appreciated.



Contact the school office or the PTFA directly

Whatsapp: 07928 121 250

email: pta@willowbrook.essex.sch.uk

REGISTERED
CHARITY:
1046576



Vouchers available to order online from our shop:

<https://willowbrook-pta.sumupstore.com/>

ORDER
HERE

Registered Charity
1046576

Pick up in Hutton



Sealife Adventure

£6 each

(door price: £16)



Southend Adventure Island

Wristband Vouchers

£15 each

(regular PTFA price £18)



**FLASH
SALE**

While
stocks
Last



Adventure Golf

£4 each

(door price: 18 holes £12)

pta@willowbrook.essex.sch.uk

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Registered charity
1046576

COMPANY
MATCH
FUNDING

ESV
EMPLOYER-
SUPPORTED
VOLUNTEERING

CORPORATE
VOLUNTEERING

One of our Willowbrook parents recently volunteered at an event for a few hours and their company has just deposited **£500** into our Willowbrook PTFA account!

Does the business you work for support charities by perhaps matching donations or allowing you paid time off work to volunteer?

Sponsorship for items is also a valuable way businesses can contribute.



We are a registered charity so do please check your firm's policies.



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Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTA. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

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Diary Dates

Please note dates and times are **subject to change**, please check the weekly newsletter and the website for updates. Thank you.

	AUTUMN TERM 2024
18 th to 22 nd November 2024	National Road Safety week
19 th November 2024	One Plan meetings Pine & Oak
20 th November 2024	Whole school flu immunisation
20 th & 21 st November 2024	One Plan meetings Beech
21 st November 2024	Prospective Parent Tour 10am till 11am
22 nd November 2024	Chestnut Fabulous Finish
26 th November 2024	Last swimming lesson for Whitebeam and Chestnut
28 th November 2024	Parent Coffee Morning- Meet the PTFA and Governors. Performances from the school choir and Oak Class
28 th November 2024	Prospective Parent Tour 10am till 11am
28 th November 2024	Pine Fabulous Finish 2-3pm
29 th November 2024	Christmas House Morning
3 rd December 2024	Whole school Panto Trip
4 th December 2024	Year 5 & 6 Show at 2:15pm
6 th December 2024	Year 3 & 4 Show at 2:15 pm
13 th December 2024	EYFS & KS1 Nativity at 9:20am and 2pm
13 th December 2024	Whitebeam class visiting Hutton View 1:30pm
16 th December 2024	RockSteady Concert at 2:20pm
19 th December 2024	Children's Christmas Bazaar
20 th December 2024	Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day Last day of term

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