



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th October 2025



Message from Mrs Branton

Pine Class Assembly

Thank you to the parents that came along to the Pine class assembly today. It was fantastic to see how using actions supported the children in being able to recite a very long narrative poem and then using that poem to inspire their own narrative writing. I know the children enjoyed sharing with you everything they have learnt in their Crime and Punishment topic and I hope you all enjoyed it too.



World Inclusion Day

Our two Inclusion Ambassadors led an assembly on Wednesday to introduce themselves to the school and talk about World Inclusion Day. They were very brave to stand up in front of the entire school- well done! Everyone enjoyed having the opportunity to come into school in their own clothes today. Thank you to everyone who kindly donated money to SNAP charity. Once the money is counted, our Inclusion Ambassadors will take the donation to SNAP and find out more about what the charity does.



Gentle Reminders

Dolce Catering

All school meals are cooked to order. To avoid disappointment of a meal not being available it is recommended that parents pre-book their child's meal in advance. Meals can be booked for the whole term in advance, this will assist the catering team with product ordering. If an item on the menu is not available you will be contacted by the school office to enable you to order a substitute meal. If you have pre-booked a meal and then supply your child with a packed lunch, please cancel your online booking or notify the school office before 9:30 am in order to avoid food wastage or accidental charges to your account.

Health and Safety

For the health and safety of all our pupils and families, we kindly ask that children do not use the play equipment before or after school. We also ask that scooters and bikes are not ridden on school grounds during these times. Please ensure pre-school children are supervised at all times while on site. Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping our school a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

Medical Appointments

We understand that medical appointments are sometimes unavoidable during the school day. However, we've noticed an increase in the number of children being collected for appointments recently. To help us keep accurate attendance records, please ensure you provide evidence of the appointment (such as a confirmation text or letter). Without this, we're unable to authorise the absence. We really appreciate your help with this.



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Parents consultation evenings

A reminder that our parent evening meetings are scheduled for the week beginning October 20th. If you have not yet booked an appointment for your child, please use the online booking system. If you have any problems booking an appointment, please speak to Miss Gadd. **Remember, if your child is on the Inclusion register, you will be invited to attend a one-plan meeting in place of a parents evening appointment. Please do not book a parent consultation appointment. The dates for the One Plan meetings are in the diary of events.**

Community News

Please see the link below to our community news page, lots of new and exciting events have been added this week: <https://www.willowbrook.essex.sch.uk/page/?title=Community+News&pid=85>

Share a thank you

Please see link below to share a special thanks for a member of staff:

<https://forms.gle/1uMKprmxmHRbe5CK8>

Your kind words go a long way in brightening their day and acknowledging their hard work. Thank you for helping us spread positivity and support throughout our school community!

Sport News

On Tuesday, it was all about cross country. In the morning our year 3&4 children ran a 1500m course with great determination and resilience. In the afternoon it was the turn of our year 5&6 pupils, they battled against over 500 children across all the Brentwood schools. Every child completed the course and they should all feel very proud of their achievement. One of our Year 4 girls came 4th and one of our Year 5 girls came 10th, outstanding performances girls!



On Wednesday, some children from years 3&4 and 5&6 attended an archery competition. They battled against 15 teams to become champions. Archery requires good hand eye co-ordination and precision skills, we were so impressed with our pupils' performance. Well done to all our children and a huge congratulations to one of our year 4 boys who came 2nd in the individual competition.



Have a lovely weekend.
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Science in the News

Find below what Whitebeam and Beech learnt in Science this week. Well done, everyone!

Mrs Cirdei - Science Co-ordinator



Whitebeam have been learning about states of matter this term. This week they have been exploring the journey of a water droplet through the water cycle! They learned how water evaporates, forms clouds (condensation), and falls back as rain and why this never-ending cycle keeps our planet healthy!



Beech class were investigating if a magnet would attract both sides of the bar magnet and from what distance this would happen. They worked well as a team and took turns to ensure everyone could clearly see the result.

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This week's Headteacher superstars are:

Tommy Y x 2, Siroema X, Abdullah K, Teddy M, Noah M, Austin C, Millie G



Well done

Word of the week

'Wonderful words of the week'

Key Stage 1

Year 1 Holly – noun

Year 2 Elm – gloomy

Key Stage 2

Year 3 Beech - bewildered

Year 4 Whitebeam - mysterious

Year 5 Chestnut - ruthless

Year 6 Pine – outlaw

Core value pupil



Well done to the core value pupil from Holly class who received this week's award for Happiness in the celebration assembly.



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PTFA Feature News

PTFA EVENTS 2025-2026

13 NOV 2025 WINTER DISCO

QUIZ **20 MAR 2026**

22 MAY 2026 COLOUR RUN

SUMMER FAYRE **20 JUN 2026**

2 JUL 2026 SUMMER DISCO

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DIARY DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2025	
1st October to 31st October 2025	Black History Month
14 th , 15 th , 16 th and 17 th October 2025	Year 6 Bikeability course
17 th October 2025	Chestnut Class Assembly for parents 09.05am
16 th October 2025	Prospective Parent Tour 10am till 11am
20 th October to 23 rd October 2025	Book Fair will run alongside parents' evenings
21 st October 2025	Flu immunisation for Maple class
21 st October 2025	Parents Evening (All year groups)
21 st October 2025	EYFS- Visitor to talk about Harvest
22 nd October 2025	Parents Evening (EYFS only)
23 rd October 2025	Whole School Firework and Halloween Safety assembly provided by Essex Fire and Rescue
23 rd October 2025	Parents Evening (All year groups)
23 rd October 2025	Last day of term
24 th October 2025	INSET DAY
3 rd November 2025	Elm Class Norman workshop (letters have gone out)
3 rd to the 7 th November 2025	Year 6 residential trip
6 th November 2025	Prospective Parent Tour 1:30pm till 2:30pm
7 th November 2025	Elm Class Assembly for parents 09.05am
7 th November 2025	Beech Class Stone Age workshop
10 th November 2025	Anti-Bullying Week
10 th November 2025	Odd Socks Day - All you need to do is wear odd socks! Odd Socks Day is all about embracing and celebrating people's differences and helps to launch Anti-Bullying Week.
10 th November 2025	Year 6 Cyber Safety session provided by Essex Fire and Rescue
11 th November 2025	Pine One Plan meetings- AM
12 th November 2025	Chestnut Class year 6 residential parent meeting via TEAMS 4:45pm
12 th November 2025	Whitebeam One Plan meetings- AM
13 th November 2025	Maple One Plan meetings- AM
14 th November 2025	BBC Children in need day – wear non-uniform following the theme 'The Great Spotacular! Collection buckets will be at the school gates for anyone wanting to make a voluntary donation
14 th November 2025	Holly Class Assembly for parents 09:05am
17 th November to 21 st November 2025	National Road Safety week - EYFS Road Safety Presentation to parents and Year 5 Road Safety Presentation and Walk for children.
18 th November 2025	Elm and Chestnut One Plan meetings- AM
19 th November 2025	Prospective Parent Tour 10am till 11am
19 th November 2025	Beech One Plan meetings- PM

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20 th November 2025	Beech One Plan meetings- AM & PM
21 st November 2025	Maple Class Assembly for parents 09.05am
24 th November 2025	Year 6 cyber bullying session provided by Essex Fire and Rescue
25 th November 2025	Last swimming lesson for Pine and Elm
26 th November 2025	Year 6 Online exploitation session provided by Essex Fire and Rescue
27 th November 2025	Whitebeam Class Assembly for parents 09.05am
27 th November 2025	Parent Coffee Afternoon 2:40pm start in the school hall- Find out more about out PTFA, governors and parent council. Performances from school choir and Pine class.
28 th November 2025	Christmas House Morning
2 nd December 2025	Whole school Panto Trip
3 rd December 2025	Year 5 & 6 Show for parents at 2:15pm
5 th December 2025	Year 3 & 4 Show for parents at 2:15 pm
11 th December 2025	EYFS & KS1 Nativity for parents at 2pm
12 th December 2025	EYFS & KS1 Nativity for parents at 9:20am
12 th December 2025	Beech class visiting Hutton View 1:30pm
15 th December 2025	RockSteady Concert for parents at 2:20pm
17 th December 2025	Christingle Workshop for all classes.
18 th December 2025	Children's Christmas Bazaar
19 th December 2025	Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
19 th December 2025	Last day of term

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