Willow Wood Community Nursery & Primary School



Acting Headteacher: Ms Katie Ullein

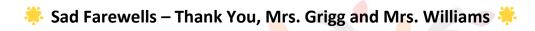
- Nursery for 3 & 4 year olds
- Breakfast Club from 08:00 £1



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Newsletter 16th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,



As we approach the end of the school year, we are sadly saying goodbye to two much-loved members of our school community: Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Grigg.

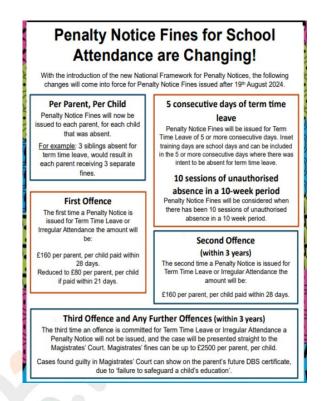
After over 20 wonderful years as part of our Willow Wood family, Mrs. Williams will be leaving us to spend more time with her family. Her loyalty, care, and tireless support have touched generations of children at Willow Wood, including some of our parents! Throughout her time here, Mrs. Williams has inspired countless pupils through her passionate and caring approach to teaching. Her lessons have sparked curiosity, built confidence, and created many happy memories for the children in her care. Mrs. Williams has been a constant, trusted presence in the school, always ready with a kind word, a helping hand, and a smile that brightened everyone's day.

We are also saying a heartfelt goodbye to Mrs. Grigg who will be leaving us to become a Deputy Headteacher at a school closer to home. During her time here, she has made a lasting impact on so many children through her warmth, creativity, and dedication to making learning exciting and engaging. Whether in the classroom or supporting wider school life, Mrs. Grigg's positive energy and commitment have been truly valued by colleagues, pupils, and parents alike.

Both Mrs. Grigg and Mrs. Williams have contributed so much to the spirit and heart of our school, and they will be greatly missed by staff, children, and families. We thank them for everything they have done and wish them every happiness and success in the future.

Attendance update:

Whole school Attendance today	94.6%	-
Whole school Attendance last Monday	94.6%	
Whole school attendance so far this year.	93%	-



Whole school attendance compared to last Monday has stayed at 94.6% and overall so far this year it has stayed at 93%.

Attendance Superstars

Last week the class with the best attendance were Y1 Mulberry with 100% attendance! So, a big well done to them for being our attendance superstars! They received their £10 book token to buy new books to have in their classroom!



Welcome to Willow Wood – Miss Toms & Miss Dysart!

We are delighted to share that in September, we will be welcoming two experienced teachers to the Willow Wood family – Miss Toms and Miss Dysart.

Both bring with them a wealth of experience, a passion for teaching, and a strong commitment to supporting every child to thrive. We are excited for the energy, expertise, and fresh ideas they will bring to our team.

We know you will join us in giving them a very warm Willow Wood welcome as they settle into their new roles and become part of our fantastic school community.

Teacher year groups in September 2025

Гeacher
Miss Jones
Miss Hughes
Mrs Wilcockson
Mrs Ullein
Mrs Millar/Miss Berry
Mrs Pye
Mr Aspinall
Mrs Graham
Mrs Caldwell
Miss King
Miss Toms
Miss Dysart
Miss Moore
Miss Bell
Mrs <mark>Ca</mark> pper
Mrs Smith

We're excited to announce that the children will soon have the opportunity to meet their new teachers! In preparation for this transition, we will be hosting a series of transition meetings between current and incoming teachers. These meetings are designed to foster open communication and collaboration, ensuring that each child's unique needs are understood and addressed.

To further support a smooth transition, there will be opportunities for the teachers to read stories to their new children in their current classroom and a move up morning when they will spend all morning in their new classroom with their new teacher and classmates.

Dates for your diary

- Tuesday 24th June Sports day KS1 9:30-11am KS2 1-3pm
- Thursday 26th June Sports day EYFS PM
- Tuesday 15th July Summer Fair 2pm
- Thursday 17th July 1:30pm Y6 Performance
- Friday 18th July 9:30am Y6 Performance
- Monday 21st July 6-8pm Y6 Prom
- Tuesday 22nd July 2pm Y6 Award Ceremony

Reminders

As the weather has heated up, please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle, a sun hat and with some sun cream on.









Summer Fair

Our Summer Fair will be on Tuesday 15th July. If you know of anyone who would like a stall at the fair please contact the office.



We will be having some non-uniform days to collect donations for the summer fair over the next few weeks.

Friday 20th June - Bring sweets donations.

Friday 27th June - Bring tombola donations.

Friday 4th July - Bring bottle for bottle tombola donations.

Tuesday 15th July – Bring cake donations for the cake stall.

Parental Involvement

- Little Willows Mother & Toddler group each Thursday in the Sunshine Building hall.
- Next SEND Parents Coffee & Chat Wednesday 9th July 9-10am Everyone welcome, time for parents to come together and chat.
- Next PTA Meeting Friday 20th June 9am Sunshine building.

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

Your child may be able to get free school meals/pupil premium if you are in receipt of any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

The criteria also applies if your child is adopted or under a special guardianship order. Please speak to the school office if you need any help with applying or have any questions. It is important that you register, even if your child currently receives Universal Free Infant School Meals as there is additional funding (Pupil Premium) that school can apply for https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

Finally

We have one more 'Strive for 5' raffle left this year, so make sure you are reading every day at home with your children to gain them as many chances as possible of winning the next raffle!

Warmest wishes, Katie Ullein Acting Headteacher