

Willow Academy

Newsletter April 2016

Year 6 visit to Crucial Crew

On Wednesday 20th April the Year 6 children visited Crucial Crew. They had a fantastic day out, learning all about how to keep themselves and others safe. The children were extremely well behaved and the staff at Crucial Crew commented on how interested they were in all the activities. Well done Year 6!

Year 1 visit Tropical Butterfly House

On Wednesday 27th April Year 1 had a great day out at the Tropical Butterfly House, despite the full range of weather. The children enjoyed learning about different animals, including some very big 'min beasts' – we are glad they are not in our gardens! A big thank you to the parents who supported us on the day and to all the children who behaved so well throughout the walks and talks.

Year 2 visit Yorkshire Wildlife

Year 2 went for a visit to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park on Monday 18th April. The children took digital photographs of the animals and learnt about habitats and food chains. All of Year 2 had a brilliant day and behaved impeccably.

Fire Service Visit

The Fire Service visited school today and gave talks to some of the pupils about keeping safe. Foundation Stage were lucky enough to look around the fire engine and hear the sirens at close quarters!!

We were reminded by the Fire Service that it is law that children 135cm or under need to use a booster seat whilst travelling in a car. When the children were asked by the firemen who used a booster seat there were quite a few pupils who appear not to have one when clearly they should be using a seat.

Safeguarding

Parents are still dropping off their children at the entrance to the school after repeated requests not to do so. This is not a safe place to park and puts our pupils and their parents at risk. We are very lucky that we have a large car park next to the school, so could you please make use of this at all times.

Thank you.

Attendance

Week ending 29.4.16

FS2C	98.5%
FS2H	100%
1C	96.7%
1F	95.6%
2O	96.7%
2V	100%
3G	97.3%
3S	97.5%
4R	97.4%
4S	99.1%
5N	99.6%
5P	97.4%
6C	94.2%
6R	94.2%

SPORTS AT WILLOW

Cross Country

South Yorkshire Cross Country Finals were held at Cannon Hall last week. We competed in the Years 3 and 4 and Years 5 and 6 Boys races. The conditions were tough but all the children did really well and showed great team spirit supporting each other.

Futsal

A team of Year 4 and 5 boys competed in the South Yorkshire Futsal Finals in Sheffield. They played with great skill and effort and eventually finished fifth. Well done boys!

Doncaster Rovers Foundation

Doncaster Rovers have been coming into school and delivering a free session for each year group as part of a premier league initiative. So far Years 3 and 5 have taken part and really enjoyed themselves. Behaviour was excellent with great skill being shown by all. Well done!

New PSA – Parent Support Advisor

Mrs Heidi Lindle is our new Parent Support Advisor. If you have any concerns regarding your child please contact Mrs Lindle who will be more than happy to meet with you. No appointment is necessary, as was stated in our previous newsletter. Mrs Lindle's hours of work are:

Monday – 8.30 am – 12.00 pm

Wednesday – 12.30 pm – 4.00 pm

Friday – 8.30 am – 1.30 pm

Class Photographs

The Tempest photographer was in school on Thursday 28th April to take class photos. The children were very well organised and all looked very smart. The photos will be ready within the next few weeks.

School Closures

School will be closed on Monday 2nd May and Thursday 5th May due to May Day and Polling Day respectively