

Maple and Willow Weekly Newsletter



Friday 2nd July 2021

HOME LEARNING

For Home Learning this week please can all Willow children practise reading their Bug Club or Epic reading book.

It is crucial that your children practise reading these books as they are allocated to match their reading capability.

Please also ensure that you send each book back on a Wednesday and a Friday so that we can change them for a new one.

It is also very important that your children practise their number skills on Numbots and their spelling techniques on Ed Shed.

Please let us know as soon as possible if you need any help logging in to these online platforms.

All of these skills are crucial for your child's continued development within Literacy and Maths.

Attendance

This week's attendance for Willow class is 97.81 %.

Attendance is so important to us at Dunsford Community Academy and we really value and appreciate your support with this. Each week we will inform you of the target that we have managed to reach as a class as we will be working towards attendance certificates!

Please ensure that your child attends school every day. Every day missed is 6 hours of learning lost. We are aiming for 100% attendance in Willow class every week and we know that we can do this!

Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your support and patience during this very busy week. We had the pleasure of welcoming Miss Lavender back to share our learning spaces and also Mrs Armstrong, another colleague from our school family at All Saints Marsh, who had the pleasure of working alongside all your wonderful children for two days. Everyone had a wonderful time getting to know each other. It was also amazing to be able to enjoy shared learning on the field with Cedar and Oak this week as everyone practised their gross motor skills in PE and enjoyed their collective 'playtimes' together. It was wonderful to see our school family share spaces and enjoy being together in the glorious sunshine. We are so grateful to our sister schools within the trust family for supporting us this week.

Excitedly, we also explored Design and Technology as we learnt how to use tools to peel a selection of fruit, make a fruit salad and then discover the importance of recycling and composting all the peelings. We were also very lucky to work with Devon Waste as they rolled out a 'compost' workshop that allowed us to deepen our understanding of the importance of recycling food waste, to reduce chemical fertilisers, and how it improves the soil's condition and life chances of plants, flowers and crops.

Parents Evening will be scheduled for Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th July. This is a special time to celebrate all the learning that your child has achieved this year and to share the reports that I have so proudly written for you all. Each slot will be for 10 minutes.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

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Mrs Hine, Miss Farress, Mrs Wilson

If your child is experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, then please contact the office before bringing them into school. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Star of the Week

Willow star of the week is Harry. Harry has had a fabulous week of learning and sharing all his amazing ideas with everyone. Well done Harry, what a super Shareonyx you are!

Our Maths champion this week is Charlotte who has completed some awesome Maths challenges whilst choosing her learning independently. What a super Thinkodocus you are Charlotte!

Our Reading champion this week is Cressida for sharing all her love of reading with everyone. Thank you Cressida, you are a real Shareonyx too!

This week our Kindness Award is going to Bryn who has been exceptionally busy reminding everyone how important it is to take care of all of our learning spaces and the resources that we use. You have really demonstrated our school values Bryn!
Thank you!

Maple star of the week is Temperance for being really brave and enjoying her learning with everyone in Maple and Willow.
What an amazing Triatops you are Temperance!

Our Kindness Award this week goes to Florence who, like Bryn, has been a wonderful role model this week, helping everyone to remember how to care for each other. Truly stunning! Thank you Florence!