

Willow Wonder



**The Willow
Primary
School N17
6HW**

Newsletter 1

**September
2021**

Dear Families

Welcome back to School.

It has been a wonderful start - it is so lovely seeing our children running back into school happy and full of enthusiasm. Even the sun was happy... waiting until school started back to come out in full glory! I hope you have all had a restful and fun summer - it has been great finding out from the children how they spent their time.

A big massive WELCOME to all our new children. We have a new reception cohort and also new families starting in other year groups. We welcome you to our Willow and Broadwaters' family. Thank you for choosing us to share your child's learning journey.

Back to school has been great without all the restrictions we had previously. We now no longer have children in year group pods and parents are also allowed back on site. We are really pleased about this but please remember COVID has not disappeared, and we must be mindful to keep each other safe. See more information on this later in the newsletter.

We are really excited about the year ahead and look forward to working with you to provide the best education and experiences for your children.

Happy New School Year.

Miss Ferdinand

Stay safe



Summer Camp



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'Thank you for the wonderful welcome at both schools last week. Seeing the dedication and commitment of all your staff was very uplifting. It was clear all the children were having a great time and gaining so much from being on site participating in all the activities.'

Thank you both once again for your work, and for such an inspiring and pleasurable visit. It all made me cry.

Feedback from Cllr Brabazon (Cabinet Member for Early Years, Children and Families)



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Two things stand out for me that day: our party were able to sample nettle crisps and nettle tea in the forest garden and Cllr Jogee and I got to experience the music lesson at close quarters with Cllr Jogee on drums and me dancing with one of your agile pupils. We certainly came away with a buzz and were delighted with the gift of home grown produce from the open space and some papier mache gifts.

It was also a real pleasure to meet your energetic kitchen staff and listen to their infectious laughter as they told us with pride about the spaghetti Bolognese that they had prepared for the children that day.

Feedback from Eveleen Riordan (Assistant Director, Schools and Learning, Haringey Council)

A MASSIVE
THANK
YOU

To all our **amazing staff** who worked throughout the holidays to support the summer camp.

You are awesome!
We could not have done this without you.



Summer Camp



Hello to new members of staff

- Miss Afrifa - Owl Class Teacher
- Delroy - Premises Manager
- Richard - TA and Sport Coach
- Malachi - Support Staff
- Neslie - Admin Assistant
- Valentina - Finance Assistant



Pick up and Drop off times and places

Year group	Drop off time	Drop off place	Parents / carers allowed on site?	Pick up time	Pick up place	Parents / carers allowed on site?
Reception	8.45	Reception playground (come in through main school gate)	Yes	3.10	Reception playground	Yes
Year 1	8.40-8.45	Either KS2 Gate or Moira Close gate	No	3.15	Blue Island area in the main playground	Yes
Year 2	8.40-8.45	Either KS2 Gate or Moira Close gate	No	3.15	Blue Island area in the main playground	Yes
Year 3	8.40-8.45	Either KS2 Gate or Moira Close gate	No	3.15	Outside year 3 classrooms	Yes
Year 4	8.40-8.45	Either KS2 Gate or Moira Close gate	No	3.15	Year 4 exit doors	Yes
Year 5	8.40-8.45	Either KS2 Gate or Moira Close gate	No	3.15	Year 5 exit doors	Yes
Year 6	8.40-8.45	Either KS2 Gate or Moira Close gate	No	3.15	Year 6 exit doors	Yes



Thank you everyone for dropping off and picking up your children in all the right places this week! The start and end of the day has worked really well.

We have a change to year 1 and reception starting Monday - a letter has been sent to Year 1/reception parents and children with more details.

Please note at the end of the day:

Reception to Year 3 will be handed over to parents/carers.

Year 4 can leave their teacher once they see the person collecting them (no 1-1 handover).

Years 5-6 will be released to find the person collecting them or can go home alone.

School Uniform

(all children are expected to wear full school uniform)



The school uniform consists of:

- **Blue** school logo sweatshirt or cardigan (The Willow Primary School Logo)
- **White** shirt or polo shirt
- **Black** trousers or skirt
- **Black** sensible shoes
- **Black** or **white** socks/tights

The school PE kit consists of:

- **White** T-shirt
- **Black** tracksuit bottoms or **Black** shorts
- **Black** Plimsolls or trainers

Children **MUST** wear their PE kits on their class PE day (see next slide).

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Year Group PE Days

PE for this half term will be on the days in this table. **Children must come to school in their PE kit on PE days (they will not change clothing).**

Reception classes PE day to be confirmed once all children have started



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 5	Year 4	Year 2	Year 1	Lily
Year 6	Year 3			

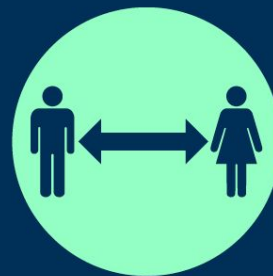
We must keep on protecting each other.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

We will be following Haringey Public Health Guidance

When there is a positive case of COVID-19 (PCR and LFD test)

Who has tested positive in the setting?

The child / staff member who tested positive should be asked to self-isolate for 10 days from when symptoms started (if no symptoms, then from the day the PCR/LFD test was taken).

Has the positive case been in the setting while they were infectious?

This means, has the positive case been in the setting in the 2 days leading up to symptoms starting? If no symptoms appeared, have they been in the setting in the 2 days leading up to the day the PCR/LFD test was taken?

YES

Identify any close contacts to the positive case within the setting.

Close contact is:

- Having been within a 2-metre distance for 15 minutes or longer,
- Having been within a 1-metre distance for 1 minute or longer,
- Having had a face-to-face conversation within a 1 metre distance for any length of time.

NO

Please notify Haringey Public Health and Ofsted that there has been a positive case within the setting.

No further action is required as there has been no risk to anyone within the setting.

If the positive case tested positive with a rapid test (Lateral Flow Device test) the steps below must still be followed and the positive case should book in for a PCR test immediately using this link: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>. If the PCR test comes back negative, close contacts can stop self-isolating and return to the setting immediately.

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Due to the delay in NHS Track and Trace contacting positive cases, **managers should carry out a risk assessment and notify any staff members identified as a close contact that there has been a positive case within the setting.**

Based on their vaccination status, staff members assess whether they need to self-isolate for 10 days (self-isolation must start from the last time they had contact with the positive case). Staff members who are **not vaccinated** should self-isolate for 10 days immediately. Those who are fully vaccinated will not need to self-isolate but must ensure 14 days has passed since the date of their 2nd vaccination dose.

Anyone under the age of 18 who is identified as a close contact will not be required to self-isolate and can continue to attend the setting. Staff and children aged 5 or older should also be asked to take a PCR test if they are a close contact to a positive case. Children under the age of 5 should only be advised to take a PCR test if the person testing positive is someone from their own household.

Do you want to apply for a lunchtime role with us?

Please email our team at admin@thewillow.haringey.sch.uk with your details including mobile, email and full name by Tuesday, 14th September.

Approximately 1.5hrs per day during term time only.

No experience required.





Dear Parent/Carer,

The school has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and the Metropolitan Police Service. This project is known as Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is the notification to schools that a child (under 18) has been exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident. This will ordinarily be done by the start of the next school day.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a specially trained member of the school staff, known as a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), is informed. The DSL can then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to ensure the wellbeing of the child.

The school may be able to make provisions or adjustments to assist the child and their family.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.



Did you know... Interesting facts about Schools around the world...

- A primary school in Phuma Changthang, Tibet, is thought to be the highest school in the world (At 5,373 metres above sea level)
- The Shishi High School located in Chengdu, China is the world's oldest school (Established in 194 AD)
- A school in the Philippines is made entirely of recycled pop bottles (about 9,000 bottles).
- The largest school in the world in terms of number of students is the City Montessori School in Lucknow, India (more than 56,000 students).
- Back in 2014, there was an elementary school in Turin, Italy that only had one teacher and one student.
- The children in the Netherlands start school on their fourth birthday so there's always someone new in class.
- In Russia, children always start school on 'Knowledge Day' (September 1) even if it's a weekend or a holiday.
- In a remote area of Colombia, kids have to travel to school on a zip-line.
- A school in Germany has been built to look like a giant white cat.



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For any childcare queries/after school/breakfast (BESS) please email:

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For any strategic queries/feedback/admissions/confidential matters please email: parents@thewillow.haringey.sch.uk (this will go to Umarani Nathan only)



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