

The Willow Warbler – Thursday 20th October 2016

Dear Families

The half term break ahead beckons and the autumnal weather is here. Enjoy a wonderful break next week.



SILVER SCHOOL AWARD Healthy Schools London (and Healthy School Silver award status)

The Willow Primary school join a handful of primaries who have attained a silver award from BOTH the Healthy schools London programme and Healthy Schools National Programme.

WINNERS! Haringey Design Award OVERALL WINNER

I'm very pleased to let you know that the school was successful at the Haringey Design Awards **winning the Best Community Building Category and... Overall Winner!** See Haringey's website for more information.
<http://www.haringey.gov.uk/news/haringey-design-awards-2016-winners-announced>



Friday 21 October 2016—Black History month lunch and menu changes

The fabulous kitchen team are once again preparing a feast for the children. This lunch includes some particular favourites to celebrate Black History Month. African and Caribbean speciality dishes include Jerk Chicken (cooked in our outdoor classroom on the BBQ), Macaroni cheese, rice and peas, fried plantain and usual salads/fruits. African Puff Puff is the dessert treat.

Weather and clothing—Heavy rain reminder

Please remember that this autumn weather is very changeable, so ensure your children have an appropriate **coat, shoes, hat, scarf that are all clearly labelled** when they come to school.

In the mornings, during very heavy rain ONLY (ie not drizzle), **children can come into school from 8.30am** and go straight to their class. **Parents/carers are not allowed in the building so please respect this rule.**



Headteacher Update

Thank you to the 30 families who turned up to this meeting and for the invaluable feedback

Dawn Ferdinand

Parents email—parents@thewillow.haringey.sch.uk

Please use this **parents** email to give the school feedback/complaints. It is *checked daily* and managed by **Umarani Nathan**.

Admin@thewillow.haringey.sch.uk

The **admin@thewillow.haringey.sch.uk email** is *checked hourly* and is used for general updates to the school. It is managed by **Lee Kaur**.

Term Dates (always available on the school website)

Half term—school closed Monday 24th to Friday 28th October 2016



Headteacher



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Reminder about Birthday celebrations

We ask families that wish to celebrate their child's birthday to bring in something for every child in the class. **No nuts or chocolate.**



Healthy Packed Lunch Leaflet to be launched

Further to our silver healthy school status, we are going to encourage all families to follow our healthy packed lunch guidance. A leaflet will come out after half term—includes all trips and daily lunches.

Parent/Carer Feedback

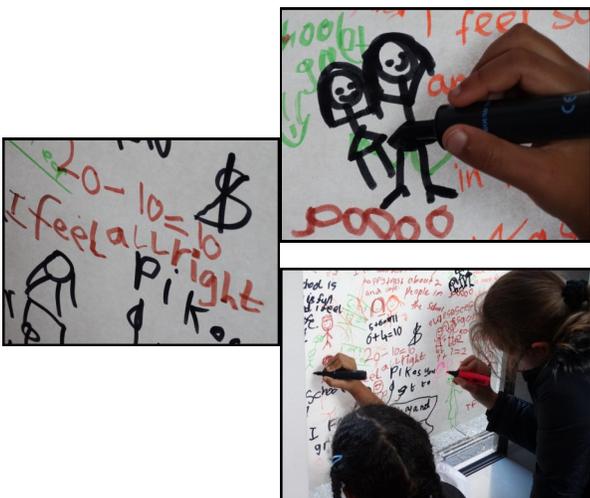
Thank you to all those families who contributed on the parent/carers afternoon by writing their feedback (Turkish and English) onto posters (and children too). Here are some of the comments given;



- Awesome
- Outstanding
- My son/daughter loves school
- Very very friendly school
- Encouraging

The words most used to describe the school were FRIENDLY, SUPPORTIVE AND HELPFUL.

Children wrote/drew how they felt about school:



FREE NASAL SPRAY FLU vaccination

Reception, year 1,2,3 only

The children's flu vaccine is offered as a yearly nasal spray to young children to protect them against flu. Flu can be a very unpleasant illness for children with potentially serious complications.

The school nurse will see **all children in from Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 on Tuesday 22nd November 2016.**

Details will be sent out nearer the time with more information.

<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/vaccinations/Pages/child-flu-vaccine.aspx>



Ella (Nursery teacher) has had a baby boy Ben weighing 9lbs! Born 8-10-16.

Brazilian rainforest – The Holiday show

Year 6 art work

Year 6 art work was proudly on display during the parent/carers afternoon in the main entrance area.



Did you know?

- That children *study Maths and English* in the mornings only.
- There are *no twins* in Reception and Year 6
- Children should be off for 48 hours following a bout of *sickness or diarrhoea*.
- That *art, music, PE, gymnastics, French* are studied in the afternoons.
- That *earrings must be studs* only (no hoops).
- That *golden time* is a 30 minute weekly play/reward for years 1-6 on a Friday.