

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

We have made it to the last day of term! It has been a very busy and enjoyable final week for the children and staff. On Monday we had our Key Stage 2 Sports Day, which was unfortunately interrupted by the rain after our first set of obstacle races. We would like to thank all parents for coming along to watch and cheer and apologise that we were unable to reschedule the event later in the week due to other events taking place. Next year we will have our sports days earlier in the term so there is more flexibility.

On Wednesday, Mulberry and Hornbeam Classes enjoyed a trip to Danson Park to explore nature and the variety of habitats the park offers. The children enjoyed travelling on the bus to the park and were excellent ambassadors for the school throughout the day.

On Wednesday evening, children in Year 6 celebrated their final week at primary school with a Leavers' Disco in the hall. We would like to thank all staff that stayed to decorate the hall, as well as join in the dancing and a special thank you to Miss Jones for being our WBP resident DJ . The children had a fantastic time and were also treated to an ice cream from our neighbourhood ice cream man to help cool them down.

On Thursday, children in reception took part in a special graduation ceremony watched by proud parents in the hall. The children collected their graduation certificates and sang a song to celebrate their transition from EYFS to Year 1. Afterwards parents, children and staff stayed for a party with dancing and party food. Thank you to Miss Webb, Miss Elbanna and Ms Shaw for organising the ceremony and to all parents that provided party food.

This afternoon, we said goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 . The children led their own assembly to the rest of the school in which they reflected on their happiest memories of primary school with laughter and tears all round! We are very proud of the values they demonstrate every day and know they will go on to have an exciting next chapter at secondary school.

We also say goodbye and thank you to the following staff who are moving on to new schools, new locations and new adventures: Ms Elbanna, Mr Deiraniya, Miss Ingle, Mrs Hasmot, Ms Brewer and Ms Omollo. We wish them all the very best for the future.

Finally, we would like to thank you all for your support this year and wish you a wonderful summer break with your families. Children return on Thursday 7th September at 8:40am.







Best wishes, Mrs Oldfield and the WBP Team









What an amazing way to culminate the year with children showcasing their skills in a sporting event.



Our Willow Bank community was treated to a morning celebrating the children's resilience, ambition and aspiration.

KS1 children, battled to make sure they got a win for their houses thus making a very successful sports day event.

Well done to all KS1 children and members of Hawking for winning the cup for your house'. Winning house photo (Hawking)





On a different day, children in KS2 from Hawking house had to make sure they kept their win and the other three houses fought to ensure they got the medal. Unfortunately, with the start of the rain, KS2 sports day had to be cancelled. However, well done to all the KS2 children for their extra-ordinary effort on that day.



	Attenborough	Johnson	Hawking	Ivialala
Reception scores sports day	36	32	33	35
Year 1 and 2 scores sports day	86	106	128	100
KS1 TOTAL	122	138	161	135
<b>***</b>	10	50	50	50
KS2 scores sports day	49	59	58	58
Field events total(both key stages)	64	66	68	72
TOTAL SCORES	235	263	287	265





### Next week:

Friday 21st July 2023 - Last day of term. Happy holidays



Thursday 7th September 2023 - first day back to school





# JOIN TODAY!

The Summer Reading Challenge is ON.

Ready, Set, Read! is the name of the game and this year, you guessed it, our theme is sports and games.

Take part in your local library or online, right here. Set a reading goal and log your books on your profile. When you reach your goal you will unlock some digital goodies.

Join today!

For more information about what's happening in Bexley Libraries this summer https://arena.yourlondonlibrary.net /web/bexley/summer-readingchallenge







# Girls Primary School Football Summer holiday activity

- Girls in Primary School age are welcome to attend our summer holiday Saturday football <u>activity</u>
- Your daughter will improve their football skills; maintain fitness; make new friends and have fun!!
- This takes place on the field at Bexleyheath Academy, Graham Road, Bexleyheath DA6 7DA on Saturday mornings from 11.00am to midday
- Sessions are free of charge
- We are also forming new football teams for girls in School Years 3 – 6, if interested to develop their skills further. A few additional School Year 4 & 5 players are especially required.

Further details: Clive on 07504 264 157 or email Clive@juniorredsfc.co.uk

www.juniorredsfc.co.uk







Don't forget that your child should be reading with you every day at home and sign in the diary when you have done so. It is helpful to write which page they have read up to and maybe even a short comment on how well they did with reading/answering questions. Adults will be checking reading records everyday.

> **EYFS and KSI Parent Reading Morning** Every Thursday from 8:40-9:10am



#### All parents and carers welcome!

We are looking for Read with Me volunteers at Willow Bank! These volunteers will visit our EYFS, KS1 and KS2 classrooms and listen to our children read. If you are interested in volunteering with us for 30 minutes or an hour each week, then please pop into the office to express your interest and pick up our application pack.

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Activities to include			
Archery Yoga Tennis			
020 7993 9883	<b>☆</b> Peabody		
Disability.Inclusion@AccessSport.org.uk Access Sport THAMESMEAD ®			

#### **SEND Summer Sports and Activities**

 Free SEND inclusive sports and activities for D/deaf, disabled and neurodivergent young people and their families during the Summer Holidays in Thamesmead



Get in touch: **\$** 020 7993 9883

Disability.Inclusion@AccessSport.org.uk

Well done to:	Our target is over 96%	
Magnolia - 90%	Yew - 91.4%	
Hornbeam - 91.8%	Mulberry - 96.8%	
Alder - 95.2%	Redwood - 90.5%	
Laburnum - 87.6%	Almond - 93.2%	
Hazel - 88.3%	Walnut - 95.2%	
Larch - 88.1%	Sycamore - 91.2%	
	Well. Done	

#### SEND Summer Sports Festival

When: Saturday 22nd July 2023 Where: Sports Club Thamesmead, Bayliss Avenue, SE28 8NJ Time: 11 - 1 pm Age: 6 - 16 years old (5+ welcome) - all the family are invited to attend Cost: Free

#### Register here: <u>https://bit.ly/TM-</u>

InclusiveSportsFest23 - you must be registered to attend. Parents/ carers must stay with their children at the event. Sports include Zumba, immersive reality, football, dance, archery, boxing, yoga and much more!

All activities will be adapted to everyone's needs!

Respect Integrity Kindness Resilience Aspiration Curiosity

Access Sport Ignite sense

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