

Tuesday 14th January 2020

Year 1 Teddy Bears Picnic Friday 17th January



The Year 1 children will be having a Teddy Bear's Picnic on Friday 17th January.

All children will enjoy a school buffet style picnic lunch of sandwich, pom bears, fruit, yoghurt and cake rather than the ordered school dinner. If your child would prefer to bring in their own packed lunch, then that is fine – please let us know your preference by returning the reply slip on the letter.

But please don't tell the children about our surprise teddy bear picnic as this will add a bit more to the magic of the topic.

Your child can bring a soft toy to school but please make sure it is named!

Year 2 Visit to MK Gallery – Thursday 16th January



As part of year 2's topic this term they will be visiting MK Gallery to view artwork by George Stubbs and participate in a workshop with one of the gallery staff. They will be visiting on Thursday January 16th during the afternoon session. This is an exciting opportunity for the children to work within the Gallery space.

Please ensure that your child is wearing comfortable shoes and a coat and hat.

School Council Shop



We are happy to let you know that the School Council will be once again opening up their shop! Children are welcome to bring in 30p which will allow them to pick a lucky dip! The shop will be open every Wednesday lunch time from 22nd January 2020!

Adverse Weather Conditions

If we are unable to open the school for any reason we will inform you as follows.



- We will put a message on the school website (<u>www.thewillowsmk.org</u>)
- Follow our Facebook page
- We will send a text message to all families registered with this system.
- (Please make sure the office has your up to date mobile phone number.)
- Update the Milton Keynes School Closure website (www.milton-

keynes.gov.uk/closures) to show that we are closed. Please subscribe to this service to receive an alert, it's free!

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DIARY DATES

Please check your childs book bag for letters previously sent.

| Tuesday 14 th January | 3.00pm – 4.00pm | After School Clubs Start | | |
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| Thursday 16 th January | PM | Mk Gallery Visit – Year 2 | | |
| Friday 17 th January | PM | Teddy Bears Picnic – Year 1 | | |
| Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February – Half Term | | | | |
| Monday 24 th February – Inset Day | | | | |
| Tuesday 25 th February | 8.50am | Children Return To School | | |

Attendance.

| W/C 6 th January 2019 | | | |
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| Year | Class Name | % Attendance | |
| Rec. | Badgers | 92.5% | |
| Rec. | Hedgehogs | 97.3% | |
| 1 | Squirrels | 95.1% | |
| 1 | Rabbits | 98.6% 1 st | |
| 2 | Owls | 95.7% | |
| Total attendance | | 95.8% | |

For the week beginning the 6TH there were 10 occasions when children were late. Time lost in the mornings can mount up quickly in lost education and cause disruption for other children in the class. Well done **Rabbits** with an attendance of **98.6%** for the week beginning **6th January**. The whole school attendance for that week was **95.8%**.

Good attendance at school is important for your child's development & progress. Please ensure your child attends every day and not take holidays in term time.

We want every child to be a H.E.R.O every day, Here. Every day. Ready to learn. On time.

