Willow Tree Primary School

Friday 6th November 2026

Hello Willow Tree families!

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our collection for Watford Foodbank. Together, we donated an incredible 91kg of food to support local families. We also thoroughly enjoyed our Harvest Festivals, where the children put on wonderful performances. We are so proud of them all!

You may have seen on our Instagram page that our old school uniform has found a wonderful new home in Zimbabwe! Following our school name and uniform change, Beat School Uniforms kindly donated the remaining stock to a school in Zimbabwe. Seeing children thousands of miles away proudly wearing a little piece of our school's history has been incredibly special. A lovely reminder of how kindness can reach far beyond our own community. Thank you to Beat School Uniforms and our Inclusive Multi Academy Trust for making this possible.

Don't forget to follow us on Instagram **@wtp_watford** to see more of our exciting learning and school celebrations.

As the weather gets colder and wetter, please ensure your child brings a warm, waterproof coat to school every day, even if they insist they don't need one! Children spend time outdoors at break and lunchtime, including in light rain, and without a suitable coat, they may be unable to join their friends outside.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Miss Mortlock

Coming Up Soon!

MON 9 NOV
School Photo Day
From 9:00am, full school uniform

TUE 10 NOV
Nursery Stay and Play
11:30am

MON 16 NOV
Odd Socks Day
Launching Anti-Bullying Week

MON–FRI 9–13 NOV
Nursery Update on Learning
Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri, 12:00pm to 12:30pm

TUE & WED 10–11 NOV
Parents' Evening
3:30pm to 6:00pm

THU 17 DEC
Willow Tree DT Showcase
3:15pm to 3:45pm, families welcome

Next Week at Willow Tree

School Photo Day: Monday 9th November

Individual and sibling school photos will start promptly at 9:00am.

- **Uniform:** Full school uniform required

Please make sure your child arrives on time so they do not miss their slot!

Parents' Evening

Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th November, 3:30pm to 6:00pm.

How to book your 10 minute appointment:

1. Log in to the **Arbor App** (login.arbor.sc).
2. Select **Guardian Consultations** from the main dashboard.
3. Choose your child, then your preferred teacher, date and time slot.

Nursery Update on Learning

Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Friday 13th November, 12:00pm to 12:30pm.

- **Bookings:** 10 minute appointment slots via the Arbor App.

Nursery Stay and Play

Nursery families are invited to join us for Stay and Play on Tuesday 10th November at 11:30am.

Odd Socks Day and Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 16th November

To kick off Anti-Bullying Week, we're inviting everyone to wear odd socks to school with their uniform! It's a fun way to celebrate what makes each of us unique. There's no need to buy anything special; just pick two socks that don't match!



Thank You for Supporting Our Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Harvest Festival! We were delighted to receive this lovely message and certificate from Watford Foodbank:

"On behalf of everyone at Watford Foodbank, we would like to share our heartfelt thanks for your recent Harvest Festival food donation. Your contribution will make a meaningful difference to local families who are facing difficult times, and your support helps us continue providing essential assistance to those who need it most. It was wonderful to see your school community come together with such kindness and enthusiasm. Acts of generosity like yours strengthen our wider community and remind us how powerful collective care can be. Please pass on our gratitude to all the children, staff, and families who took part. Your efforts are truly appreciated."

Watford Foodbank



Together, our school community donated an amazing 91.8kg of food to help local families!

We would also like to add our own sincere thank you to all the Willow Tree Primary School families and staff who contributed so generously to make this appeal such a success.

Christmas at Willow Tree

Here are our festive dates for your diary. We can't wait to celebrate with you!

Tue 15th Dec, 9:30am	**EYFS and KS1 Nativity** Parents are warmly invited
Wed 16th Dec	**Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner**
Thu 17th Dec, 3:15pm	**Willow Tree DT Showcase** Until 3:45pm. Families are invited to see the fantastic Design and Technology work from every year group
Fri 18th Dec, 9:30am	**KS2 Carol Concert** Please join us for a lovely event
Fri 18th Dec, 1:30pm	**End of term** School closes for the Christmas holidays.

Our Old Uniform Has Found a New Home

We thought you might like to see what happened to all of our old Holywell uniform stock. Rather than letting it go to waste, it has been donated to a school in Zimbabwe, and they have kindly sent us some photos of their pupils wearing it! It is wonderful to know that our old uniform is being put to such good use, and that it is now helping children on the other side of the world.





Community Corner

Free Football Taster Sessions: Bushey Town FC

Bushey Town FC is inviting boys and girls aged U6 to U12 of all abilities to two free Foundation Academy taster sessions, led by UEFA qualified coaches.

- **When:** Saturday 21st or Saturday 28th November, 10:00am to 12:00pm
- **Where:** Metropolitan Bushey
- **Booking:** Free, but places must be booked in advance for one date at busheytownfc.co.uk





🏊 Watford Swimming Club Academy Open Day

Watford Swimming Club is holding an Academy Open Day for children aged six and over, with one hour slots available.

- **When:** Sunday 8th November, 1:30pm to 5:30pm
- **Where:** Woodside Leisure Centre
- **Enquiries:** membership@watfordswimmingclub.co.uk

Can't make it? The club holds trials every month, so families can get in touch to arrange another date.

These activities are run by external organisations. Willow Tree Primary School does not endorse them, and parents should check suitability before booking.

If you have and questions, please speak to your child's class teacher first, or contact the school office. We're always happy to help.