



# WILLOW LANE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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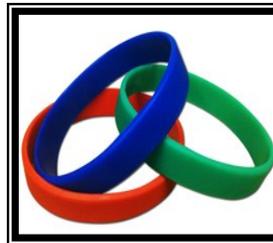
*Dates for your diaries*

**Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,**

Happy New Year 2016! I hope that you have all had a good holiday with friends and family. It is great to see the children so excited to be back in school and the great work they have already done.

## IMPORTANT CHANGES TO LUNCHTIMES

How we book school dinners is changing as of next Monday—18th January. We have listened to your concerns about children sometimes not getting their choice of food as well as excess food being wasted. We are therefore launching a wrist band scheme.



When teachers do the morning register, children will choose their meal for the day. For example on Wednesday Week 2 Red for Roast Turkey, Green for Butter Pie, Blue for Jacket Potato and Black for Sandwich. The choice will relate to the new menu—sent home this week—and each child getting a school dinner will be given the corresponding wrist band. This will ensure the kitchen cooks the correct amount of each meal and that every child gets the meal they want.

Week Two			
Monday's menu (V) in most cases			
Trillier use	Spice 'n' stir	Crustless	
Vegetables Pasta	Roast Turkey (V)	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Onion (V)	Fresh Fruit Fruit Tagliatelle
Spiced Chicken Rice Sweet Corn Cauliflower Crispy Potatoes	Butter Pie (V)	Spiced Beef (V)	Fresh Fruit Bar Fruit Tagliatelle
Tuesday's menu (V) in most cases			
Trillier use	Spice 'n' stir	Crustless	
Spiced Chicken Rice Sweet Corn Cauliflower Crispy Potatoes	Roast Turkey (V)	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Onion (V)	Fresh Fruit Fruit Tagliatelle
Spiced Chicken Rice Sweet Corn Cauliflower Crispy Potatoes	Butter Pie (V)	Spiced Beef (V)	Fresh Fruit Bar Fruit Tagliatelle
Wednesday's menu (V) in most cases			
Trillier use	Spice 'n' stir	Crustless	
Spiced Chicken Rice Sweet Corn Cauliflower Crispy Potatoes	Roast Turkey (V)	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Onion (V)	Fresh Fruit Fruit Tagliatelle
Spiced Chicken Rice Sweet Corn Cauliflower Crispy Potatoes	Butter Pie (V)	Spiced Beef (V)	Fresh Fruit Bar Fruit Tagliatelle

Sandwiches will no longer need to be ordered in advance at the hatch but by the child when completing the register. There will be choice of cheese, tuna and ham sandwiches ready to select from. Puddings will also be chosen at the hatch as they are now.

Older children will be able to read the menu themselves and these will be up around school to help them choose. You can help younger children (and check they are eating a range of foods) by looking at the menu together at home.

Whenever something new is launched there may be teething problems so please feedback any comments to us so we can address them quickly.

Thank you for your continued support,

*Mr MacKinnon*

*(Please note Easter weekend and holiday dates).*

**Thursday 21st January:  
PTFA Film Night at  
4:15pm.**

**Thursday 28th January  
to Wednesday 3rd  
February: Book Fair.**

**Friday 12th February:  
School closes at 3:15pm  
for Half Term.**

**Monday 15th to Friday  
19th February: Half  
Term**

**Monday 22nd February:  
Children back to School**

**Wednesday 24th  
February: PTFA  
Valentine's Disco at  
4:00 pm.**

**Monday 21st March:  
Parents' Evening**

**Wednesday 23rd March:  
PTFA Easter Egg Hunt  
at 3:30pm.**

**Friday 25th March:  
Good Friday—children  
not at school.**

**Monday 28th March:  
Easter Monday—  
children not at school.**

**Tuesday 29th January:  
Children back to school.**

**Friday 8th April: School  
closes at 1:30pm for  
Easter break.**

## TAKE ONE PICTURE

The whole school used a single piece of art—Sarah Dunn's 'St Anne's Camel Rally' - as a stimulus for all their learning.

The children approached it in different ways producing a wide range of art and writing which they shared in assembly. The writing included balanced arguments about camel racing, diary entries from camels' perspectives and poetry about what camels would pack when they go on holiday.

Thank you to Mrs Kellett for organising this engaging learning.



## BEHAVIOUR POLICY

We are looking at rewriting the Behaviour Policy and have asked the children for their help.

The behaviour in school is good but we would like it to be even better—in particular at lunchtimes. We are compiling suggestions on new reward based schemes to help children make good choices. We want to make sure that we are rewarding the children who always make the right choices and supporting those that can struggle to do the same. You can help by talking to your children about the kind of incentives that will help.

Should raffle tickets be given out for modelling values and pulled for prizes in assembly? Do we need new climbing areas to create more activities? What about 'Class of the Week' and the chosen class getting an additional playtime? Do Team Points need a fresh launch and the trophy on display somewhere prominent? Could children work towards a special trip in the Summer Term?

We look forward to your children's thoughts and suggestions, which they need to share with the School Council members.



## Who is SHERIFF PETE?

Your children may be talking about Sheriff Pete and his Exciting Writing scheme. This year we are focussing on driving up standards in writing, and Sheriff Pete has set children in every year ambitious targets to reach for.

Adults, acting as his deputies, will be teaching and rewarding specific writing techniques (in line with the new curriculum expectations for grammar) and displays will remind children of what to do and how to do it. Who knows, maybe the Sheriff himself will come in and see how our writing improves....

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