
WILLERSEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



*We learn together in
FAITH, FUN and FRIENDSHIP*

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Week Commencing 29 th September 2025		UPCOMING EVENTS	
Mon	8am Breakfast Club	Mon	
Tues	8am Breakfast Club	Tues	
Wed	8am Breakfast Club Class 1 – Forest School	Wed	
Thurs	8am Breakfast Club	Thurs	
Fri	8am Breakfast Club	Fri	

Class 1

In English, we are studying *Meesha Makes Friends* by Tom Percival, a beautiful story about the challenges of making and keeping friends. We have been reflecting on what makes a good friend and using this to inspire our writing. Year 1 have been focusing on using finger spaces, capital letters, and full stops, while Year 2 have been working on expanded noun phrases, correct punctuation, and using coordination (*and*) and subordination (*because*) in their sentences. Our writing has focused on character descriptions so far, and over the next couple of weeks we will move on to diary writing.

In maths, we are continuing our work on place value. The children have used base ten (tens and ones) and ten frames to build and understand numbers, and next we will be moving on to using number lines.

Reception have also been busy sorting and pairing objects. They have been practising forming the letters of their names correctly and are already having a go at writing words using the new phonics sounds they learn each day. So far, they have covered *s, a, t, p, i, n, m,* and *d*.

In history, we are continuing our topic *Childhood*. The children loved creating their family trees and sorting pictures of themselves at different stages of life. We had a great time guessing “who is who” when looking at their baby photos! Next week, we will be asking ‘*How long ago was the 1950s?*’ and creating a timeline of significant events.

In science, we have started our unit on *Human Survival*, looking at the different stages of life in humans, which ties in beautifully with our history work.

The children have also really enjoyed their time at forest school this week!



Good luck to Miss Edwards who started her maternity leave this week with baby due soon. She will be returning to school July 2026. All the children helped make a book to present to Miss Edwards with their own suggestions of baby names for her to have a think about!



Mrs Warren/Miss Tournon and the Class 1 Team

Class 2

We have heard some stories from the Old Testament. We have been talking about the start of the world and looking at our bibles.

Last week we played floorball and won two games and lost one. We will be playing again in October. Oli scored 4 goals and Barney scored 1.

In science, Mr Callaghan has been teaching us about kingdoms and classification. We talked about Carl Linnaeus who created classification keys about life and animals.

Dodgeball was fun this week. Everyone played well and we even had a cat join us in the playground!

By Lucy and Darcie – Class 2

Worship

Our worship theme of 'Wise Ways for Living' has continued over the past two weeks.

We have been learning about 'Making Time for Play.' The monks (who we have been finding out more about) always made sure that they had a time for a rest and relaxation, even though they had to work very hard every day. We thought about how important our playtimes and break times are and how these times can help with our friendships, our physical health and mental health too.

We have then moved on to learn about 'Different ways to Pray' and have seen how people can pray in very different ways - from being quiet and still to praying whilst walking, running, jumping in puddles, listening to music, looking at an amazing sight, with others or on their own. We also looked at how some people structure their prayers to say a 'Thank you', a 'Sorry' and a 'Please when praying (TSP or 'Teaspoon').

We are moving on to 'Working Willingly' next.

School Term Dates

Term Dates:

Term 1: Tuesday 2nd September - Thursday 23rd October

Term 2: Monday 3rd November - Friday 19th December

Term 3: Monday 5th January - Thursday 12th February

Term 4: Monday 23rd February - Friday 27th March

Term 5: Monday 13th April - Friday 22nd May

Term 6: Monday 1st June - Friday 17th July

INSET days (children do not attend on these days):

Monday 1st September 2025

Friday 24th October 2025

Friday 13th February 2026

Monday 1st June 2026

Monday 20th July 2026

Bank Holiday:

Monday 4th May 2026 (school closed)

Church News

Message from the Vale and Cotswold Edge Team Ministry:

“Bishop Rachel, in consultation with Archdeacon Katrina, Rev’ds Craig & Dana and our Churchwardens, has agreed to appoint Rev’d Jon Barwood as Interim Team Vicar working in the Vale and Cotswold Edge Team Ministry from 1st October for a 12 month period. Jon has served a curacy on the Isle of Wight and has recently re-located with his wife Michelle and son Henry to Bourton on the Water and has been serving in ministry in parts of the North Cotswold Deanery. Jon is looking forward to joining you all. This appointment is subject to the usual HR procedures, which are underway. Please do pray for Jon, Michelle and Henry at this exciting time.”

Your Church is open for you every day. Welcome Café, in Saint Peter’s, every Thursday afternoon 2pm – 4.30pm. Any enquires to Gillian Beale 01386 852958.





BYC & YMCA
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YOUTH CLUB
SCHOOL YEARS 5 - 11
EVERY THURSDAY
6 - 7.30pm
FREE ENTRY!!
Broadway Youth & Community Centre
MEET FRIENDS & MAKE NEW ONES
MUSIC • FUN • GAMES

Our trained youth workers are on hand to engage, whether you want somewhere to chill out, a quiet space to study, fun activities, learning life skills or need someone to listen and give non judgmental guidance then this is the place to be, come give it a try!!

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The next newsletter is due out Friday 10th October 2025. Please email any information that you would like to be included to admin@willersey.gloucs.sch.uk by Thursday 9th October 2025.

Angus, Dexter and Barney pictured with our Willersey School "Lion at Large" in Cheltenham





