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# WILLERSEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



*We learn together in  
FAITH, FUN and FRIENDSHIP*

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Week Commencing 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2026		UPCOMING EVENTS	
Mon	8am Breakfast Club	Mon	
Tues	8am Breakfast Club	Tues	
Wed	8am Breakfast Club Class 1 – Forest School	Wed	Panatholon @ Campden 10am to 12noon
Thurs	8am Breakfast Club	Thurs	Ian Evans (Drums) - Church
Fri	8am Breakfast Club	Fri	

## Class 1

What a busy couple of weeks it has been, filled with wonderful book celebrations! The children enjoyed World Book Day, sharing their favourite books and characters with one another. We were lucky to welcome author and illustrator Claire Henley for a special visit, and the much-anticipated visit from author, musician, and poet John Dougherty was a real highlight. We also enjoyed a visit from Cidermill Theatre, who introduced the children to Camille Saint-Saëns' Carnival of the Animals. The children will have the exciting opportunity to see and hear this performed live at Cider Mill Theatre on Friday 20th March.

In English, we have started a new unit based on Beegu by Alexis Deacon. The children were intrigued to discover mysterious footprints in the classroom, along with a coded message asking for help! Since then, they have created "lost" posters to help Beegu find her mummy and have written postcards to her mum.

In Maths, we have been learning how to subtract two 2-digit numbers by crossing a ten. This involves exchanging (or regrouping) one ten for ten ones. For example, when solving  $52 - 18$ , the children exchange one ten from the 5 tens to make 4 tens and 12 ones, which then makes the subtraction easier to complete.

In geography, we have been describing the coastal feature Saltwick Nab, thinking carefully about its size, location, and position.

In music, the children have been enjoying learning to play the djembe drums. They are very excited to showcase what they have learned so far when they perform at St Peter's Church on Thursday 19th March.



Visit by author and illustrator Claire Henley

## Class 2

In English, we have finished Kai and the Monkey King, and we are now creating our own myths. We have also designed our own mythological creatures to be featured in our myths. We have used fronted adverbials, relative clauses and expanded noun phrases to transform our imaginations onto ancient paper.

In Maths, we have focused on fractions. In the year 3 and 4 class we have been stepping up the difficulty of comparing the size and adding fractions. In the year 5 and 6 class we have been working on mixed numbers, unit fractions and improper fractions and how to multiply these fractions.

In Geography, the Polar Regions have been our focus, looking closely at the difference between the Arctic and Antarctica as well as the yearly day and night cycles in these regions.

In Art, we have examined two artists- Vanessa Gardiner and the Shoreditch Sketcher and their styles of art. We have had a go at drawing our own landscape with these styles

## Poem – Adeline Class 2

After the visit from John Dougherty it inspired Adeline from Class 2 who wrote this poem:-

### Joe In Bed

Joe is in bed, but his head is stuck at the end of the bed.

He calls for his dad, but his dad is very mad and he is sad.

Because he can't juggle a a pan so Joe never got his head out again.

## School Term Dates

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Panatholon at Campden

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Visit Cidermill to see Carnival of Animals

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Visit to Slimbridge Wetland Centre

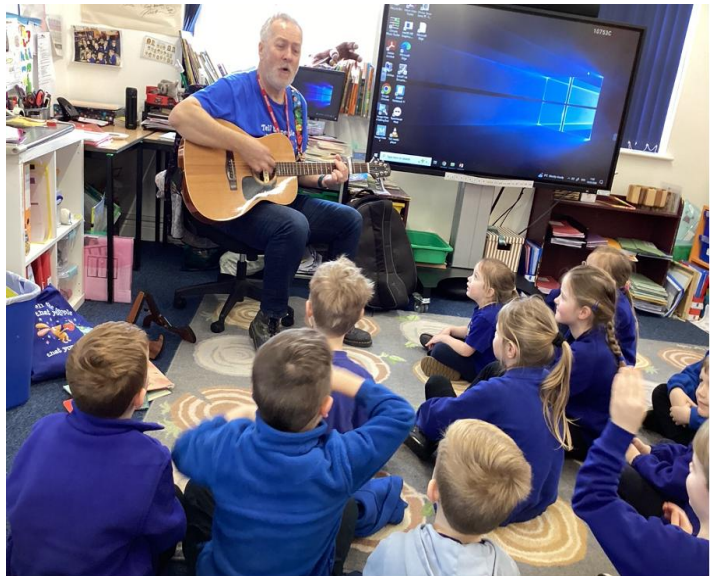
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – End of Term

## A Visit from Author John Dougherty

On Tuesday, we were very lucky to welcome award-winning author John Dougherty to school. He spent time with both classes, sharing some of his wonderful books, music, and poems with the children.

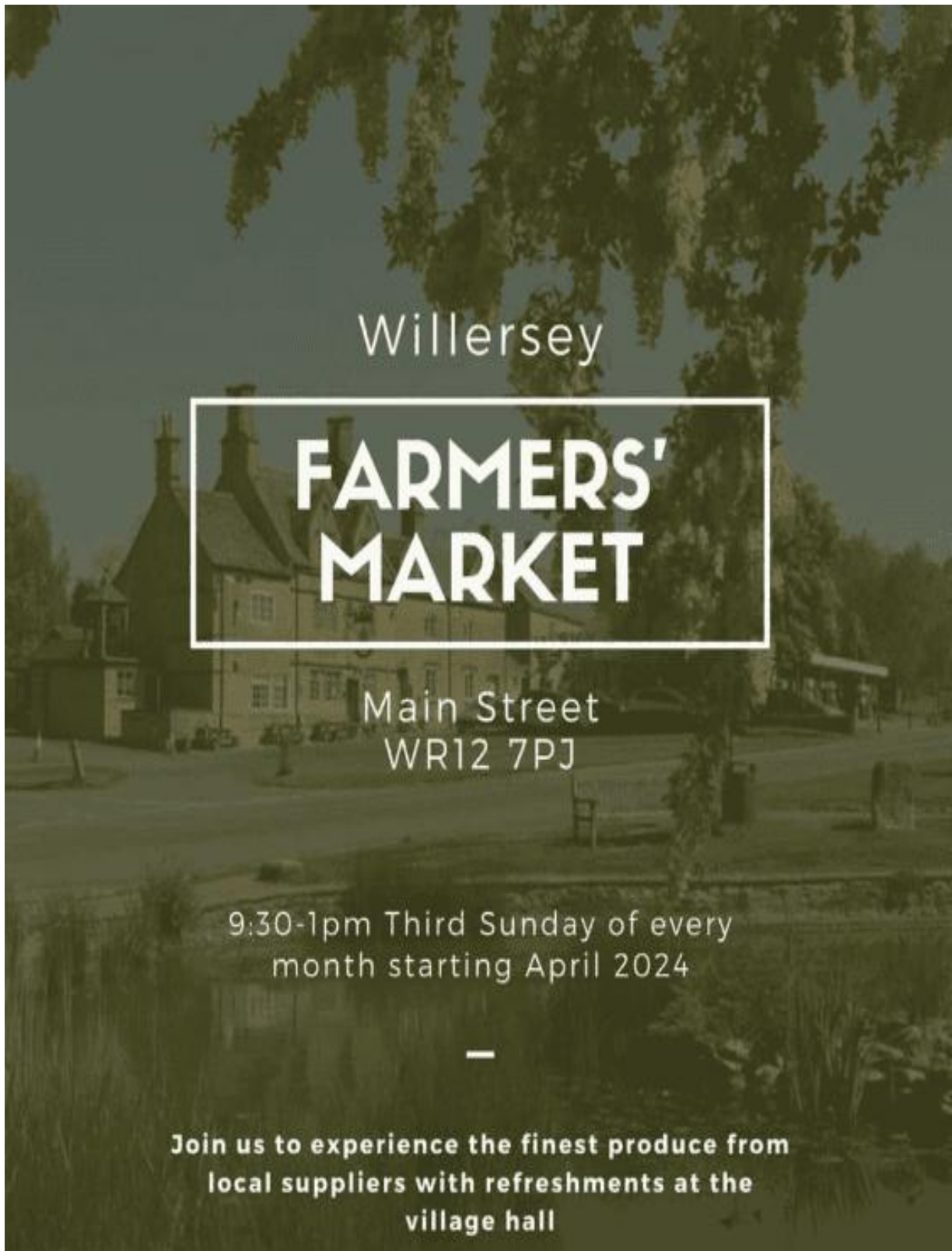
We listened to *Pig Up My Nose* and *A Hare-Shaped Hole*, and enjoyed poems from *Dinosaurs* and *Dinner Ladies* and *Zooming the Zoo*. John also treated us to some songs along the way, which had everyone bobbing and joining in.

The children then had the chance to ask lots of thoughtful questions about his books, being an author and where he gets his ideas from.



## Willersey Farmers' Market 2026 – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Willersey Farmers' Market is back for 2026, Third Sunday of every month 9:30-1pm, focusing on food and drink from local producers. Arts and Crafts in the Village hall along with refreshments. The Bell will also be open for refreshments.



## Broadway Baby & Toddler Group



**TUESDAYS  
(TERM TIME ONLY)**

# **BROADWAY BABY & TODDLER GROUP**

**10.00 - 11.30am**

**£2 DONATION**

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**30  
MARCH -  
2 APRIL  
2026**

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# Willersey Footlights 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show

March 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Sold Out Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Extra date added

TICKETS ON SALE FROM 23<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY THROUGH EVENTBRITE


# WILLERSEY FOOTLIGHTS 40<sup>TH</sup>

*Anniversary Show*  
MARCH 27 & 28<sup>TH</sup>

PRESENTING OUR 25<sup>TH</sup> SHOW OF SONGS SKETCHES & LAUGHTER

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF NONSENSE

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**All Age  
Worship  
Service**

**St Peter's  
Church,  
Wilersey**

**11am**

**15th  
March**

**Mothering  
Sunday**

**Refreshments  
served  
afterwards**

**All are  
Welcome**

## Welcome Café Cook book

The Welcome Café cook book, has all the delicious cake recipes in that have been donated to the church for the Welcome Café on Thursday afternoons. All proceeds from the sales of the cook book go towards the repair of the nave.

Should you wish to purchase the Welcome Café cook book they are £8.95 and can be bought from School Reception. **CASH ONLY PLEASE.**

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.



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*The next newsletter is due out Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Please email any information that you would like to be included to [admin@willersey.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@willersey.gloucs.sch.uk) by Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026.*