

# Headteacher's Newsletter 2025-26 Issue 6 03/11/25



## Jamaica Appeal

We are reaching out to ask for your support for one of our school families who have been deeply affected by the recent Category 5 Hurricane Melissa in Jamaica (the strongest to hit the Island). Sadly, Kaira's family, who live in Hanover, are among those affected. Their relatives—including aunts, uncles, and cousins—have seen their homes destroyed and are now struggling to rebuild their lives. To help Kaira's family send essential supplies to Jamaica, we will be holding a Non-Uniform Day this Friday. Pupils may come to school in their own clothes and bring a cash donation, which will go directly to the family to assist with transport and shipping costs for barrels of supplies.

Please see our email for full details!

Many thanks for your support - this will mean so much to Kaira's family.



You can also donate to the wider appeal through the British Red Cross here:

<https://tinyurl.com/WGJAMAICA>

## Important Dates

All important dates will now be added to our website for parents - <https://www.willowgrove.school/parents/term-dates/#calendar>

Please do check here regularly - we are trying to give you as much notice as possible so that parents / carers can attend as many school events as possible. Hover over the event to see further details!

## Winter Raffle

The PTA are running their popular raffle again, last year it raised £200 but we are hoping with the fantastic prizes this year we can at least double this, raising money for an electric piano at school!

The Raffle will be drawn on Friday December 12th - Tickets are £1 each.

Thank you so much to all the residents and businesses who have supported the school by donating prizes already, your generosity is so very much appreciated.

You can purchase tickets:

In person using cash or card: At the school office straight after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays or at the Christmas Performances in December.

By Bank Transfer: Email [willowgroveprimarypta@outlook.com](mailto:willowgroveprimarypta@outlook.com) with your full name and number of tickets you would like. Then transfer money to Willow Grove Primary PTA, Account Number: 56023704, Sort Code: 23-05-80.

Online: We want to reach a wider audience with our raffle this year so if you are able to share the below link with family, friends and on your social media to support the PTA raising money for the school it would be very much appreciated!

[www.peoplesfundraising.com/raffle/willow-grove-winter-raffle-2025](http://www.peoplesfundraising.com/raffle/willow-grove-winter-raffle-2025)

★ Please be aware that the PTA keep 100% of cash and bank transfer sales. However due to the fees involved with using the online portal and card reader, we have set a minimum limit of 3 tickets per transaction to these methods ★

Any questions please get in touch at [willowgroveprimarypta@outlook.com](mailto:willowgroveprimarypta@outlook.com)

Do also keep an eye on the Raffle Prize list as its getting bigger!

## Family Cook Book

We would like to create a Willow Grove Cook Book to share with all families! We think that this would be a lovely way to celebrate our many different cultures and ethnicities in our community. If you would like to feature in the book please send over your favourite family recipe and a short description of why it is so important to you (the recipe may have been passed down through the generations or just be a weekly favourite in your house where great memories have been made!)



## Curriculum Workshops

Please also do attend the workshop for your child after half-term - this is a valuable chance to find out exactly what your child will be learning this year and how you can best help them.

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov - EYFS

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov - Year 1

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov - Year 2

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov - Year 3

All 3:15pm - 4:15pm - no need to book



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