

# Willow News

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021



It has been a pleasure this week to see some beautiful homework tasks completed by the children. They showed great pride and attention to detail.

It was also a pleasure to talk to you all about your children's well-being, behaviour and academic achievements. Your feedback and words of encouragement are most appreciated.

During this final week of the half term, we completed a flapjack challenge. Each group worked together to design, advertise and create their healthy flapjacks. First, each team had to elect a team leader. Each team leader learned to delegate the jobs e.g. a designer, an accountant, someone to create a short film and one child in each group had to conduct market research. They were given limited resources to use. When designing their poster they learnt the technique of using persuasive language, clear layout and listing the ingredients and benefits with bullet points. They had to think of some catchy slogans and exaggeration to persuade their customers to buy their flapjacks. After completing their designs, packaging and advertisements, they presented their ideas to the whole class. The children had a great opportunity to not only develop their teamwork, problem solving and designing skills but also learned to speak and listen with care and attention. Finally, on Thursday, they actually created their flapjacks using the ingredients provided. They learned to measure, work systematically and then write instructions.

Working through the block of statistics, the children learned to read data from tables, bar charts and line graphs. They also learned to identify information and answer questions from the data presented. After half term holidays, we shall work on drawing our own line graphs. As mentioned before, all the maths task sheets to match each day's teaching are on Teams and available for further reinforcement with the children.

Last week, the children attended a live hate crime awareness session along with several other children from the schools across

Norfolk. During this online session, the children learned about the sort of actions which can be regarded as a crime.

Thanks for your continued support with reading and times tables. Regular short sharp revision is helpful to recall and retain.

Finally, the cold winter is here so please make sure that the children come to school in their warm winter coats and have extra layers to protect them from the cold draughts due to the well ventilated classroom. It would also be helpful if the children could bring their named wellies to school for the wet winter days.

**Reminder:**

1<sup>st</sup> November: Return to school

10<sup>th</sup> November: Return the trip forms and donations to the school

19<sup>th</sup> November: Y5 trip to the West Stow Anglo-Saxon village

**Meanwhile, stay safe and happy.**

**Team Willows (Mrs Asif, Mrs Carter and Mrs Bishop)**