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Dear Willow Parents

Happy New Year to you all I hope you had a lovely break. The Willow team would like to thank you all for the lovely gifts and cards which we received at the end of term it was very kind of you all.

Poles, Polar bears and Penguins

We are starting our new Learning Journey 'Poles, Polar bears and Penguins' and you should have received a copy of the overview which gives you a brief outline of what we will be covering. It is always great if the children carry out some of their own learning at home as well. It could be a trip to the library to find some books, experimenting with ice at home or researching using the internet. We always love to see their learning from home during 'Show and Tell'.

Visitor request

If you know of anyone who has been fortunate enough to visit the North or even South Pole!! We would love to have them in to talk to the children. It would be great to hear about first hand experiences. Please let me know if you think anyone could help.

Also are there any sewing experts out there? If anyone has time to come in to Willow class from around 2.15-3.15pm any day of the week we would really appreciate it. As part of the children's Design and Technology learning and to fit in with our current learning journey we would like the children to make a class blanket where they sew patches together. Please come and see me if you think you could help.

Educational Visit

You should have received a letter about our upcoming educational visit to the WWF living planet centre on the 21st January. The adults accompanying the children are myself, Mrs O'Boyle, Mrs Price and Miss Rogers. We need two more adult helpers and would really appreciate it if any parents could come with us. We will be leaving at 8.30am and should return around 2.30pm. It will be a first come first served basis and then I am happy to put any others on a reserve list as we do only need two.

NPQML Project

I would just like to take this opportunity to explain that I am currently completing my National professional qualification for middle leadership. This involves some training days and a chance to lead a project within school. I just wanted to make you aware that I will be randomly selecting some parents and children to help me with this project if they are able to. At this stage I will not be involving all parents and children as this is initially a pilot study. The focus is on improving writing through family engagement. Therefore if you hear of other parents completing tasks at home please do not panic! I will keep you updated on the findings.

Sharing our work

We would like to invite parents to join us for a 'Winter Warmer' afternoon. On Monday 8th February from 2.45-3.15pm come in to see your child's books and enjoy some handmade biscuits and hot chocolate.

Wow slips

Please don't forget to keep sending in wow slips they are great to share with the class and are also used as valuable evidence in your child's learning journey books.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please do come and talk to me, the door is always open!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Faye Smith (Willow class teacher)

