

# Willow Brook News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredible fortnight it has been since my last newsletter! Willow Brook has been filled to the brim with celebrations and successes and I know from your wonderfully positive comments, emails and cards that you have enjoyed sharing some of those special moments with us.



In Willow Brook's 12 days of Christmas, we enjoyed: a lively recorder ensemble... an impressive whole class violin concert... 4 fabulous performances of Dragon Days... 2 beautiful nativities... a Christmas party afternoon... the infamous Willow Brook Christmas Quiz... a morning out performing to the ladies of Keyworth Probus... enjoying a day of cooking with Mars... a lively On the Stage showcase... a happy Saturday Christmas Fair and a morning full of festive singing! Whilst there are plenty of tired little people (and teachers!) I know that we have enjoyed each and every moment and thank you for encouraging your children to take part, perform and be proud of their achievements.

The DVDs of both productions are now available (thanks to the time and effort of Peter and Julie Cook) and are wonderful treasures to put away and enjoy in future years. Mr Hallsworth's photos will also be posted on the school website as soon as I have time over the holidays. A couple may also be featured in the Evening Post schools' section in the next few days.



As I write, we are setting the tables ready for our Christmas dinner. Elaine and her team have done an incredible job preparing everything and it just needs 183 children dressed in festive jumpers to finish the proceedings! We will then be getting ready for this afternoon's Carols by Candlelight assembly, which is when (we hope!) the peace and wonder finally settles! We then look forward to finishing our term with you all and the Salvation Army in the playground tomorrow. Please join us at 2.45pm to sing and celebrate the start of the holidays.

In other news...As some of you may already know, Miss Morrow is about to enjoy a Christmas wedding! I'm sure you will join the children and staff in wishing her a very happy day and we look forward to welcoming her back in January with her new name.... Mrs Walsh!

All that remains for me to say is that I wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year. I hope that 2018 is full of adventures and special days. I have a feeling it might be...

Enjoy the next two weeks with your family and friends and we look forward to seeing you bright and early on Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> for the new term.

Happy Christmas,

and all the staff at Willow Brook.

