

Willow Class Spring Newsletter 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to welcome you all to Willow Class and look forward to us sharing a happy and successful year together. Adult support in the class will be provided by Mrs Fortune and Mr Robertson. Listed below is some information which we hope you will find useful.

Reading Books

Reading books will be changed frequently throughout the week. Please make sure that you have listened to and checked your child's understanding of their reading book and when finished, please sign, recording any comments in the Reading Record Book. There are some suggestions at the front of each Reading Record book for discussion points with your child.

Year 1 Spellings

All Year 1s will copy some spellings to learn in their Home Spelling Book each Monday and there will be a test each Friday. These will be linked to sound/key word work taking place in the classroom on a regular basis. Practice Books need to be in reading folders each Friday so they can be prepared for the following week.

Reception Forest School

Forest School will continue this term on a Friday with Penny. Please can children bring in named wellies if they have not currently got any in school and a waterproof coat. We now have a welly stand so boots can remain in school. We are sending home an additional letter this week about Forest School.

Games/PE

Willow class have Games on Friday and PE on Tuesday. Please make sure that your child has their kit in school on these days. Now the weather is colder, please ensure your child has warm clothing e.g. jogging bottoms and track suit jacket/jumper to wear.

Medical Conditions

It is important that we are made aware of any existing or new medical conditions that your child may have, as well as making sure that their medication is in date and in school. This includes pupils who have asthma. All medication must be accompanied with full instructions for use and a medical form must be completed in the school office, this includes antibiotics, cream and any pain relief medication.

Water Bottles

We encourage children to bring in water to drink during the day when they are in class. Please make sure that the bottle is named. This is in addition to their lunch box drink and is for **water only**.

Fruit and Milk Scheme

Reception and Year 1 children will continue to receive a piece of fruit or vegetable everyday under the Government scheme. You can also order milk for them if you wish (see the office for details or the link on the school website).

Curriculum

This term's topics and areas for focus in English and Maths are listed below. More detailed information is available on our website.

Animal Antics	
English/literacy	Write a narrative, poetry, explanation and information writing. Book reviews and note taking.
Maths/Numeracy	Data handling , subtraction, addition
History	Famous person in the past Chronology –changes within living memory.
Geography	Map skills – British Isles
Art and Design	Animals in art and mask making
DT	Design a game or toy.
Science	Sorting and classifying animals including humans
Music	Composition – Animal soundscapes.
PE	Real P.E and The Golden Mile
Games	Multi-skills
RE	Hope and Forgiveness (Christian Values) Easter
PSHEC	Whole school approach to Well Being and Learning.

Information

We have a class noticeboard in the window of our classroom and will be updating our class blog regularly throughout the term. This term we will continue to have a Special Helper they are allowed to bring in one item to share with the class during the day.

Finally, if you have any queries or concerns regarding school, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks,

Mrs Bissett, Mrs Richardson, Mrs Fortune and Mr Robertson