



Willow Class

Termly Class Newsletter



Term 3

This term's theme is;

'Sharing our planet'

Our main line of inquiry will be looking into who / what we have and still share our planet with. The children have asked questions about this line of inquiry and these will make up the basis of our learning journey this term. We will have a focus on Dinosaurs and will then go onto looking at how we can look after our planet by recycling. We will have a particular focus on plastics.



Read Write Inc.

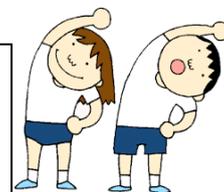
Children will continue to work through the RWI programme. Letters will be sent home to inform you of what group your child will be in this term.

Home Reading

Children are expected to read at home for at least 10 minutes every day. Children have their colour banded reading books which, ideally, need to be changed every day or when they have finished reading the book. When children move to a new RWI group their book band colour will be changed. This information will be written in your child's yellow reading record book.

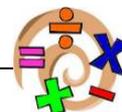
PE

PE kits need to be in school every **Friday**. Children are welcome to keep them in school all of the time. Please ensure **all** items of clothing, including shoes and hats, are named. This term we will focus on dance.



Maths

This term we will firstly focus on telling the time to the hour and half hour on analogue clocks. Children will also be expected to answer a range of word problems focusing on adding and taking away time. We will focus on the difference between the minute and hour hands. Children will be expected to recognise and use language relating to dates, including days of the week, weeks, months and years. We will compare, describe and solve practical problems for time (quicker, slower, earlier, later) and measure and begin to record time (hours, minutes, seconds). We will also sequence events in chronological order using language (before and after, next, first, today, yesterday, tomorrow, morning, afternoon and evening).





Willow Class



Termly Class Newsletter

Term 3



Science

This term we will focus on seasonal change and every day materials including wood, metal, glass and plastic.



Computing

In computing this term our main focus will be on how to programme using different hardware. We will build on our skills from last term and focus on de-bugging errors.



Music

Mrs Stroud will be teaching Willow class for music sessions. They will focus on rhythm, tempo and notation.



RE

We will be looking at stories featuring animals from different religions. Children will have the opportunity to work through a carousel of lessons with different teachers.

Theme / IB

Through our theme (IB) learning we will investigate the key questions children asked about our main line of inquiry. These included;

What did dinosaurs eat?

Where did dinosaurs live?

What is a fossil?

How can we look after our planet?

What materials can we recycle?



Willow Class

Termly Class Newsletter



Term 3



Please remember that our library day is a Thursday. Children will have an opportunity to look at books and bring one home to share. Children can keep the book they choose for up to one week. Please ensure children have their library book back in school by the following Thursday ready to change for a new one.



Termly homework

Children are to choose 1 or more homework tasks they would like to complete this term. Termly homework will due in school the first week back after February Half Term.

Option 1: To make / decorate their own model of a dinosaur fossil.

Option 2: What happens after we put plastic bottles into our recycling bins?

Option 3: Write a page in the style of a non-fiction book including facts about dinosaurs.

Homework Reminders

Please remember that **spellings** will be sent out weekly on a Friday. Children must put their spelling book in the tray by Thursday. Late books will not have scores inputted or new spellings stuck in.

Please continue to use our **online learning** platforms to complete homework and support your child's learning. These are costly resources that can enhance and embed the learning we do in school. In Year 1 children have access to Reading Eggs and Maths Seeds. Weekly homework is set on Maths Seeds on a Friday and due the following Thursday.