CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



Autumn Term 2 2023

Willow Class

Key Stage 1

This half term in Willow Class will be learning about



English

Our focus texts and stimulus for English lessons this term, include: 'Poppies' A Cbeebies animation, 'Grandad's Island' and 'Penguins' by National Geographic. In guided reading lessons, children will answer comprehension questions about the books, 'The Dark, and 'Furgal is Fuming'. Our whole class books will be Wind in the Willows, and 'All the Best' (poetry).

Maths

Lessons this term for will focus on:

- Addition and Subtraction
- Geometry shape
- Place Value

https://whiteroseeducation.com/resources?yea r=mixed-1-2-new&subject=maths

Science

We will be learning about living things and their habitats, with a focus on animal food and diets. We will continue to classify animals according to what they eat and learn more about food chains. We shall also work scientifically when carrying out water investigations.

RE

Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

By the end of this unit, pupils will know that:
-Christians believe that Jesus is God and
that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem.
-The Bible points out that his birth showed
he was extraordinary and that he came to
bring good news

- Christians celebrate Jesus' birth; Advent for Christians is a time of getting ready for Jesus coming

Geography

Could a polar bear bear the desert or a camel cope in the cold?

Children will continue to develop competence at navigating a range of maps: google earth, atlases, globes and world maps.

They will learn the names of all the continents, know more about living in a hot and cold place (e.g. Tromsø and Dubai) and be able to give examples of how location affects peoples lives.

Children will also be able to explain how and why animals have adapted to survive in different locations around the world.

Art & Design

Artist study: -Yayoi Kusama Focus: Sculpture / Painting / Mixed Media

We will learn about the Japanese contemporary artist Yayoi Kusama, with a specific focus on her polka dot pumpkins. Activities will include, 3D clay sculptures, collages, and Christmas art.













