



# Willow Class Newsletter



## Autumn Term 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a great holiday!

Please find below an overview of the learning that will be taking place this term. Our Learning Journey question this term is 'Who Inspires Us?'

**English:** In English we are beginning the term looking at the book 'What the Ladybird Heard' by Julia Donaldson. We will focus on developing our sentence structures and including description in our writing.

**Phonics:** Daily phonics sessions will focus on phonemes, digraphs, tricky words, alternative pronunciation, segmenting and blending. Year 2 will continue to build their understanding of spelling, punctuation and grammar during these sessions.

**Reading:** Your child will be given a reading book to read in school and at home, to support your child with their reading we ask that you listen to them read 2-3 pages daily. In addition to this your child will be able to choose a library book on Mondays. Within school your child also participates in a weekly guided reading session to support their reading comprehension.

**Spellings:** During the school day the children will have time to practise their spellings. In addition to this we will be sending home weekly spellings to allow the children to continue their learning outside the classroom. The children will be given their spellings on a Monday and tested the following Monday.



**Maths:** Year 1 is beginning the term looking at 'Numbers to 10'. This will include ordering and comparing numbers as well as addition and subtraction. Year 2 are starting with 'Numbers to 100' where they will be developing their understanding of place value before focusing on addition and subtraction.



**History:** Inspirational People

**Computing:** Word Processing

**PSHE:** New Beginnings

**Art:** Printing Techniques

**RE:** What do Christians believe God is like?

**Music:** Inspirational Musicians

**Science:** The science topic this half-term is Habitats. The children will focus on describing animals, understanding that animals belong to different groups and learning about their habitats.



**Homework:** Homework this term will be set on a Wednesday and due the following Monday. Homework tasks will either be a written task, a maths task or a project relating to a topic.

**Show and Tell:** This year for Show and Tell the children who are Star of the Week will get to take home a box to bring in something special to share with the class.

**Please Note:** Children will have PE on Tuesday, please ensure kit is in school. In addition to this we will do 30 minutes of LEAP a day.

This term PSHE and PE will be with Mrs Hurst and Mr Bardot on a Tuesday.

Thank you for reading this Newsletter. Please speak to or email a member of the teaching team if you have any questions or would like to talk through any concerns.

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