

Willow Class information:**P.E.**

We will have P.E on a **Friday and Wednesday**. Children need to wear their P.E kits to school on this day please. As the weather is warm now please make sure your child has a sun hat and water bottle.

Reading

Please listen to your child read at home as often as possible. We recommend at least 4 times a week. Your child will bring home a school reading book matched to the phonics that we are working on in school. In addition to reading aloud to you, reading to your child every day is so helpful in developing their reading comprehension skills, and an overall love of reading.

Our school website address is:

<https://www.twineham.w-sussex.sch.uk/website/> key information will be posted on the website or sent in our fortnightly newsletter.

Things you could try at home to enrich learning:

- If they are using technology, encourage learning apps that build useful skills, memory and concentration. Each child in Willow has been given a login Code for Times Tables Rock Stars, and has been set tables appropriate for their level.
- Bring maths in to normal life; counting cars, spotting numbers in numerals and words in the environment.
- Nurture your child's passions; if your child feels they are good at something, the benefits come to all of their learning.

Summer Term:

What did the Romans do for us?



Willow Class Parents' Information

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ENGLISH

Ancient Rome offers rich possibilities for language and we will begin the term by studying 'Escape from Pompeii.' Children will use this rich unit which incorporates visual illustrations and drama to build their descriptive writing skills. We will also explore the world of classical mythology and children will create their own 'Roman Myth.' Our studies will also enable us to use non-fiction texts to develop skills in information presentation. Finally we will be reading the exciting 'Thieves of Ostia' as we look further into the world of the Roman Empire.

MATHS

This term we will be consolidating the children's skills in the four operations and also going deeper into fractions. Later the children will be exploring shape, statistics and measurements, particularly the measurement of time. Children will have daily opportunities to show us the skills they have developed via our daily checker exercises. Children will also continue to build their fluency skills, particularly their times table knowledge using Times Table Rock Stars.

HISTORY TOPIC

Our main topic for this term is the Romans. We will be focusing on the lasting achievements of Roman civilization, and exploring what life was like in Roman Britain before and after the invasion. We will explore key characters such as Julius Caesar and Boudicca. Our topic will include a visit from a Theatrical Company where children will get opportunities to re-enact life in Roman Britain.

Our Learning Journey is: **What did the Romans do for us?**



R.H.E

Children will be introduced to the concept of economic well-being. Looking at the value of money and the importance of budgeting. The children will also begin to explore the ideas of ambition and employment. We will also be preparing the children for their transition into the next school year.

Computing

In computing this term we will be exploring what networks are. Children will recognise that a network is two or more devices connected and its purpose. They will identify key components that make up the school's network and be able to explain the difference between wired and wireless connections. Children will also explore the role of the server in a network when requesting a website and be able to identify parts of a website's journey to reach your computer.

After half term they will be looking at what goes on inside a computer, learning about inputs and outputs, what the components of a computer do, and understanding the concept of computer memory.

Music

This summer children will be developing an understanding of dynamics via the theme of 'Space'. Then before the holidays they will use instruments to represent animals. They will copy rhythms and create call and response rhythms.

SCIENCE

In our Everyday Materials unit, the children will learn to classify materials by their properties. They will be able to list the properties of materials and to test the suitability of different materials for different products. Later in the term we will be making further investigation into these properties.

P.E.

In P.E. this term we will be making the most of the weather and playing cricket and net games. We will also have our annual sports day and the opportunity to try out new activities in day of sport.

ART and DT

In this first term we will be looking at the work of Henri Matisse and his use of flat areas of colour. We will be using collage to create work in his style. In DT we will be designing, testing and building a chair for Baby Bear.

R.E

In RE, we will be asking, 'What do Christians mean when they talk about the Kingdom of God?' Later after half term the children will be exploring the symbols and stories that help Jewish people remember their covenant with God?