



# Willow



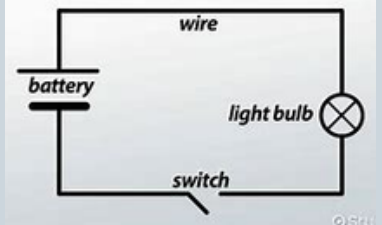
## SUMMER 1 NEWSLETTER 2024

Welcome back Willow Class!

In our History lessons this half term we will be studying The Tudors. We will be learning about the monarchy and the timeline of their reign. We will also be discovering the way that people lived, at the time, in different levels of society. Our learning will begin with a trip to the Royal Grammar School for a Tudor hook day.

Our Science unit will be all about Electricity, we will be creating and troubleshooting circuits. We will then apply these skills at the end of the half term, spending a DT day designing and making torches.

Our R.E. focus will move back to Christianity where we will be thinking about Communion and what it means to Christians.



Our model text will be a finding tale, The Night Fairy with the writing focus being creating a setting.

## MATHS NO PROBLEM!

Our Maths lessons will move onto measurement, looking first at money, before moving on to mass, volume, length and area.



# Our school value this half term is: Friendship

## Dates for the Diary

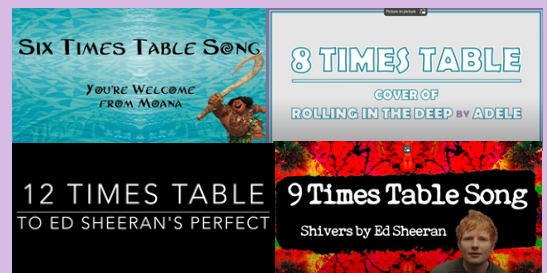


- 15/04/2024: INSET - no school
- 16/04/2024: First day back
- 18/04/2024: Y4 trip to Royal Grammar School
- 23/04/2024: St Mark's Church 90th birthday
- 01/05/2024: Willow Class Assembly
- 06/05/2024: Open classroom from 2.45pm
- 09/05/2024: School photos
- 20/05/2024: Y4 SATRO electricity workshop
- 23/05/2024: FOSMAS obstacle course
- 24/05/2024: INSET - no school
- 27/05/2024: Half term week - no school
- 03/06/2024: Back to school

## Times Tables

With the times table check just around the corner the children have been working extremely hard to learn all the facts. Lots of heatmaps are turning green on TTRockstars. Ask your child to show you their heatmap over time, they are all rightly very proud of their progress.

Times table songs on YouTube have been a big hit too. You can help your child by playing them at home. There are plenty to choose from. Favourites include the 8 times table to Rolling in the Deep by Adele and the 6 times table to You're Welcome from Moana!



## Reading for Pleasure

These are the books we have read so far this year in class. Which has been your favourite?



Please keep reading at home as well. Reading in KS2 is about promoting deeper understanding and reading a wider variety of texts. To promote this at home you could ask your child the following questions:

- What do you think will happen next? Why?
- Why did the main character behave that way? Why?
- How do you think the character was feeling? Why?
- Can you summarise the last chapter in 3 sentences?



As they are getting older, please be extra vigilant around your child's use of online apps and gaming.

Check apps and messaging services frequently, think about limiting screen time and talk to your children regularly about healthy and safe online conduct. At school we do an online safety lesson at the beginning and end of each half term.