



WILLOW CLASS

Autumn 2 Newsletter 2025



WELCOME!

Welcome back Willow Class!

We have got an action packed half term ahead of us!

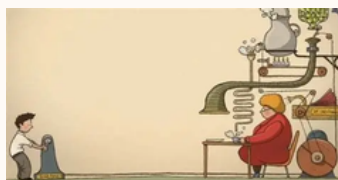
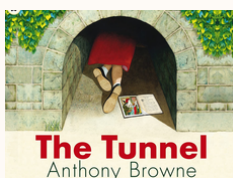
We will be diving into our first Geography unit of the year, exploring the human and physical geography of Europe.

In Science we will continue investigating the properties of sound. To bring our learning to life we will be taking part in an interactive workshop in school from School of Noise.

In week 2 we will be heading off for a full week of swimming lessons and of course we will be enjoying the joyful build up to Christmas across the school.

Talk for writing

This term our writing will be inspired by two exciting texts as we explore different forms of non-fiction. We will continue using *The Tunnel* by Anthony Browne using this story to help us write a diary entry. Our second unit of writing we will be creating explanation texts using *The Teacher-Pleaser Machine* as our stimulus.



Maths



This half term we will continue developing our understanding of multiplication and division applying our times tables knowledge to solve calculations and tackle word problems.



Dates for the diary



- 03/11/2025: INSET
- 04/11/2025: Back to school
- 07/11/2025: Own clothes day - Bottle donation
- 10/11/2025: Odd socks day
- 13/11/2025: World Kindness Day
- 17/11/2025: School of Noise workshop
- 21/11/2025: Own clothes day - Hamper donation
- 28/11/2025: FOSMAS Christmas Fair
- 09/12/2025: Open Box Pantomime
- 11/12/2025: Christmas Jumper Day
- 11/12/2025: Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Run
- 17/12/11: Carol Service
- 19/12/25: Last day of term 1pm finish
- 06/01/2026: Back to school



Our school value this half term is: **Service**



Online safety

Online safety is one of the most important aspects of safeguarding children's wellbeing. Please be vigilant in monitoring your child's use of online gaming and social media.

The following websites provide helpful advice and guidance:

NSPCC - advice about parental controls, online safety quiz and how to talk to your child guidance. www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety.

Childnet - help and advice for both parents and children around key internet safety topics. www.ceopeducation.co.uk



Homework in Year 4

English or Maths weekly (20 minutes weekly)

Children will be given a homework task each Friday morning linking to something we have been doing in class. This will be on SPaG.com or Maths.co.uk it should take no longer than 20 minutes.

Spelling (10 minutes daily)

Every Friday we learn a new set of ten spellings. These will be checked on the following Friday children can use their individual logins on Spelling Shed to practice.

Times Tables (10 minutes daily)

Recall of the times tables is essential in KS2 please ensure your child is practicing on TTRS daily.

Reading (10 minutes daily)

We hope for the children to be reading every night where possible. Please support us by encouraging your child to read, talking about the story and recording this in their reading journals.