Willow Class Curriculum Letter

Hello,

A very warm welcome to all of our new year 3 and 4 pupils and their families! We are so excited to begin this new chapter together are looking forward to a fantastic year filled with learning, new experiences and lots of opportunities to grow and develop.

Key Stage 2 is an exciting time as the children become more independent, develop new skills and take on new challenges. We will work hard to create a safe, happy, supportive and inspiring classroom where every child feels valued, confident and proud of their achievements throughout this academic year.

I will be teaching Monday-Thursday with Miss Bramwell as the class support, on Friday Mrs Lewis and Miss Bramwell will be covering the class and this half term all pupils will be going swimming with Mrs Gladwin on a Friday morning .

On this newsletter you will find out about what we will be learning this half term across all subjects. Please do not hesitate to contact me on dojo or via email if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

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English

We are going to spend the first half of this term focusing on handwriting, presentation, basic punctuation, sentence structure and spelling before beginning our first Jane Considine English unit. The unit we will be starting with for the last few weeks of this half term is 'Wisp, the story of hope'. This is a Narrative based on refugees.

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Maths

In Maths both year 3 and 4 will be learning about numbers within 1000- recognising, representing and partitioning numbers up to 1000, we will then work on numbers within 10,000, looking at number lines, 1, 10 and 100 more and less than given numbers and comparing, ordering and estimating numbers within 10,000.

We will learn and understand Roman numerals.

We will then move onto addition and subtraction where we will be adding numbers with different numbers of digits and subtracting up to two two digit numbers across 10

	RE This half term in RE we will extending our knowledge of Harvest and looking at if/how other religions celebrate Harvest. Mrs Lewis will be teaching this half term's RE unit on a Friday.	**PE** In PE this half term we will be practising our fundamental skills involving throwing, catching, running, kicking and jumping. All pupils will also have a swimming lesson each Friday morning.
Science In Science we will be learning about Electricity, what requires electricity in our home and school, how electricity works, how to say safe whilst using electricity and also lots of practical experiments creating circuits using switches and light bulbs etc. **History** This half term we will be learning all about the Tudors! We have lots of exciting learning planned and we will be paying particular attention to the life Tudors Lived in comparison to life now as well as one of the most famous Tudors of all- Henry VIII! We will finish our unit off with a trip to the Theatre to watch Horrible Histories; Terrible Tudors!	**Computing** In computing we will be using Purple Mash to complete a coding unit. We will be creating flowcharts using timers and the repeat command and will finish off the unit by creating our own interactive scene. Mrs Lewis will be teaching computing on a Friday afternoon.	**Homework** Please try to complete as many of the homework tasks as possible over the half term. All activities have been carefully chosen to link closely with what they will be learning in school or to consolidate any learning that they should be confident with from the previous academic year. If you have any questions regarding the homework activities please do not hesitate to get in touch.
PSHE This half term in PSHE we will be focusing on 'me and my relationships' which is a unit split into several lessons linking to everything about ourselves and the people close to us, the lessons will be:	**Art** In Art we will be focusing on digital Art and will be paying close attention to the digital art of Kandinsky.	**Music** In music we will be learning to play the Glockenspiel in time to a tune, we will also be thinking about tuned and untuned instruments as well as finding the pulse of different pieces of music.

*As a rule *Looking after our special people *Ho can we solve this problem? *Tangram team challenge *Friends are special *Thunks *Dan's Dare *My Special Pet	**Swimming** This half term all pupils in Willow will go swimming on a Friday morning with Miss Bramwell and Mrs Gladwin. Please make sure your child comes to school with their swimming costume (see dojo post regarding what to bring from week 2).	**Spanish** In Spanish we will be learning about the country in our first lesson before concentrating on different greetings. We will all be speaking fluent Spanish by the end of this half term!