

Willow Class - Summer Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely Easter and enjoyed the break. This newsletter will outline your child's learning over the Summer term.

In literacy, we will be showing off our writing techniques in a variety of exciting different genres. The children will be creating their own advertising leaflets, writing short stories and creating information leaflets (which will be collated to create a whole class information book that will be available for everyone to read in the library!). We will continue to create a range of exciting **reading, writing, speaking and listening** activities using carefully selected texts as a stimulus.

In maths, we will start off the term by applying our knowledge of **place value** to solve problems. We will then move on to looking at problem solving involving **addition, subtraction, multiplication and division** before spending some time working on **fractions**. In term 5, we will be focussing on telling the **time** and **money**, where we will create realistic and practical opportunities for children to apply their learning.

Topic

The topic for this term is '**Local study**'. The children will have opportunities to learn about the history of their local area. We will be venturing outside to explore Lower Halstow village through carefully planned lessons that link to **geography, history, art and design & technology**.

Science

In Science, we will spend this term looking at '**animals including humans**'. The children will be exploring the importance of *exercise, a balanced diet and hygiene* on their bodies before moving onto '**plants**' next term. The children will be taught to:

- *observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.*
- *find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.*

PE lessons have been changed and will now take place on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** afternoons. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them on both days. This term, PE lessons will focus on athletics. If your child wears earrings, they will need to be taken out for PE and long hair should be tied back.

Homework will continue to be set every Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. Also a polite reminder that children should be reading for at least 15 minutes daily at home. As always, your support in this is appreciated.

I look forward to working with you throughout the next term. If you have any concerns, please do contact me.

Kind regards

Miss Leneghan

Willow class teacher.