



WILLOW CLASS NEWSLETTER

Term 6 2025 / 26

Welcome Back to Term 6

As we step into our final term of the year, there's a real sense of excitement for what's ahead. It's a long term, but one filled with learning, special events, and memorable moments for everyone. For our Reception and Year 1 children, this term marks an important stage as they begin thinking about their next steps — reflecting on how much they've grown and looking ahead with confidence to their new year groups. We're looking forward to a term that's busy, fun, and full of moments to remember.

Reminders

- Please name all clothing, especially PE hoodies
- Children need a water bottle and book bag every day.
- Sun hats and sun cream for warmer weather
- Water only in classroom bottles; an additional juice drink may be sent for lunchtime.
- Check book bags regularly for notes, reading tasks, or new reading books, and keep free from extra items/pictures so letters and reading materials can be easily added.

PE Days

PE days continue to be on Tuesday and Thursday.

Please ensure earrings are taped prior to arriving at school.

Important Dates

June

- 5th JB Sport enrichment
- 10th Y1 Phonics Screen
- 11th Sports day
- 19th Non-uniform day - sweets for the summer fair
- 24th Cinema club
- 30th Trip to Skegness Aquarium (with Robin class)

July

- 3rd Summer fair
- 6th Well-being day and circus skills workshop
- 8th Move up afternoon
- 20th Y6 Leavers service at Church
- 22nd End of term

English

Read, Write Inc – Continuing with Set 3 sounds and building confidence reading more words on sight.

Writing – Developing independent sentence writing, simple narrative skills, and using basic punctuation. Children will explore a range of writing styles, including bubbles, postcards, letters, descriptions, instructions, posters, diaries, and short stories.

Maths

Money – Recognising coins and notes, counting amounts, simple calculations.
Fractions – Finding halves, quarters, thirds and three-quarters

Time – Months and days; telling the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to.

Mass, Capacity & Temperature – Measuring in g, kg, ml, l and reading temperature.

Position & Direction – Describing movement and turns.

Science

Making Connections:

Ocean protectors'

Life cycles, habitats and food chains through ocean and rock pool exploration.

History

How have explorers changed the world?

Identifying explorers past and present and what makes them significant.

Art

Painting and mixed media: Colour splash

Colour mixing techniques and applying these skills in painting and printing.

Music

Under the sea: Musical symbols

Exploring the sea through music, movement, musical symbols and tuned percussion instruments.

PE

Net & Wall Games

Defending, scoring, racket and ball skills.

Target Games

Underarm and overarm throws, improving accuracy.

PSHE

Economic well-being' (continued)

What money is and how it helps us, keeping money safe, spending and saving, identify different jobs.

RE

What are sacred texts and why do they matter?

Sacred scriptures: origins and how they are regarded and used by believers.

Computing

Programming 2: digital Bee-Bots

Exploring commands, instructions and errors, and learning how sequences control movement.

PSHE

Transition lesson

Helping Year 1 pupils with the transition to a new year and the changes that come with it.

Big Wide World

This term our learning continues around our project 'Big Wide World', where the children will explore countries, cultures and environments across the globe. We begin by thinking about journeys - trains, planes, boats and cars - and the many ways people travel. Through stories, maps, role play and discussion, the children will learn that people live in different places, speak different languages and experience different climates. As we explore hot and cold countries, oceans, markets, buildings and wildlife, the children will compare similarities and differences and develop a growing awareness of the wider world. Outdoor learning, water investigations, map-making, creative art projects and our exciting trip to Skegness Aquarium will all help bring the world to life. Later in the term, we will turn our attention to summer changes, caring for our environment and thinking about how we ourselves have grown and changed this year.

In Literacy, the children will continue their daily Read, Write Inc. phonics sessions, building confidence in reading simple storybooks and writing short sentences using known sounds. They will enjoy stories linked to travel, oceans and night-time, helping them develop vocabulary, answer questions and retell events in their own words.

In Maths, the children will deepen their understanding of numbers to 10 - through subitising, comparing quantities and recalling number bonds. They will explore counting patterns, doubling and simple number composition, while also developing spatial reasoning through map work, shape exploration and practise problem-solving.

RE 'Our Beautiful World'- Explore different stories about creation and some beliefs about the natural world.

