

Curriculum Newsletter

Willow Class

Spring Term



As artists, the children will be learning how to print in the style of William Morris. They will learn how to create a print using pressing, rolling, rubbing and stamping. They will also learn how to make a printing block and will create a print using more than one colour.

As authors, the children will be exploring 'The Night Gardener' and 'The Iron Man.' When learning about grammar, they will be learning about a range of terminology and concepts such as tenses, adverbs, expanded noun phrases and conjunctions. They will also learn how to use a range of punctuation correctly. They will learn how to use capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences. They will also learn how to use apostrophes for contractions and possession as well as how to use commas to separate items in a list.



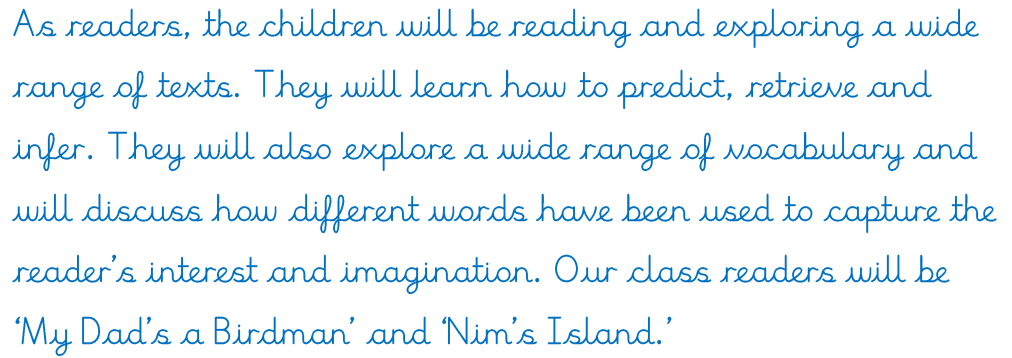
As mathematicians, Year 2 will be learning about the following areas:

- Shape
- Money
- Multiplication and division
- Length and height
- Mass, capacity and temperature

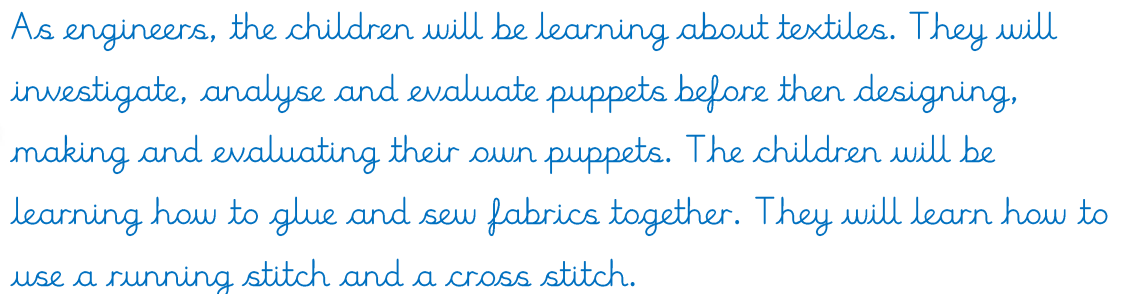
Year 3 will be learning about the following areas:

- Multiplication and division
- Length and perimeter
- Fractions
- Mass and capacity

The children will continue to consolidate their times tables weekly using Times Tables Rock stars and quizzes.



A cartoon illustration of a young boy with short hair, wearing a striped shirt, a tie, and trousers. He is holding a large map in his right hand and a compass in his left hand. He is standing and looking towards the viewer.



As computer engineers, the children will be learning about touch-typing this half term. They will understand the correct way to sit at the keyboard and they will learn how to use the home, top and bottom row keys. They will also practise the keys typed with the left hand before moving onto the keys with the right hand. After half term they will then be learning about emails. They will learn how to use emails safely. They will learn how to write an email to someone using an attachment. They will be using Purple Mash to help them with their learning and this can also be accessed at home.

As athletes, the children will be focussing on the cognitive and creative cogs in their Real PE lessons as they learn how to develop and apply the fundamental movement skills (agility, balance and coordination). They will also be learning about dance and are looking forward to performing in Showdown which will be organised by Premier Education.



As musicians, the children will explore musical storytelling. They will learn how events, actions and feelings within stories can be represented by pitch, dynamics and tempo. After half term, we will look at the structure of music using a theme of Myths and Legends. The children will develop an understanding of structure by exploring and ordering

As philosophers, in our PSHE lessons this half term, the children will be learning about how to stay safe and they will identify people who can help if a situation is unsafe. They will also learn that there are different drugs, and they will identify ways that they can be helpful or harmful. After half term, they will move on to learn about rights and respect. They will learn that people earn their income through their jobs and that the amount people get paid is due to a range of factors. They will also learn about the voluntary work people do in the local community.



As philosophers, in our RE lessons this half term, the children will be learning about the religion of Islam. This will include learning about the main beliefs, the mosque, the special festivals and the holy book. After half term, we will focus on Easter and, in particular, the importance of Good Friday to the Christian faith.



As historians, the children will be exploring the question, 'How did the lives of ancient Britons change during the Stone Age?' They will explore what it was like to live in this time period and how historians have used artefacts to find out more about this.

As scientists, the children will firstly be learning about animals including humans. They will learn about what animals need to survive and what humans need to be healthy. They will learn about different types of skeleton and how humans move.

They will then be learning about forces. They will learn about what forces are and how different surfaces affect the motion of an object. They will also investigate how magnets work and which materials are magnetic.

After half term the children will then learn about plants. They will learn about what plants need to survive and the functions of the different parts of flowering plants. They will also learn about the life cycle of flowering plants.



As linguists, Year 3 will be learning to count from 6 to 10 in Latin. They will learn the names of colours and use them to describe animals. They will learn words relating to the spring season and words to describe their feelings. This will lead on to writing simple sentences and practising simple conversations.