

Willow Class Autumn 2 2018

Welcome back to our second term together. We have some great learning opportunities planned for this term, leading up to what is always a very busy but fun Christmas period.

First, a few reminders:

- Pencil cases to contain a blue writing pen (not biro), a writing pencil, pencil sharpener, rubber, a glue stick, ruler and a black pen (this can be biro) and may contain colouring pencils.
- Monday P.E.
- Friday ukuleles for Music
- Library Thursday
- Homework set on a Wednesday, due in on a Monday

Over the next few weeks we will be covering the following areas:

Maths

In Maths this term we are covering fractions (converting, adding and subtracting fractions), multiplication and division (vertical layout, chunking and short division), place value and subtraction (whole numbers and decimals), measures and data (including converting between measures) and shape (sorting shapes and building them from nets).

The children will continue with weekly times table challenges and any extra practise and support that you can give your child at home with practising times tables will be invaluable.

English

This term we are linking our English work with our topic of the struggle for power in England in 1066, writing newspaper reports and non-chronological reports. Film week will also be a focus for our English work, as will Grimm's Fairy tales.

Topic

Our topic this term is Changing Britain. In History this includes the struggle for power in England in 1066 and in PSHE, the changing face of Britain. In Art/DT we shall be creating segments of the Bayeux tapestry.

Science

Our Science topic this term will continue to be forces, including gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction. We will also explore mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears and the effect that forces have on their use.

Homework

Please continue to read with your child at home: a book or other reading material from home of their choice. The children should use their Reading Record book to keep track of their reading at home. Please use this as a means of contacting me as well if you have a question regarding homework or reading. The children will receive team points as a reward if they read at home and an adult has signed their book. They will also receive team points for completed homework. The children have at least 10 spellings to learn each week: the words will be set on a Friday and checked on the following Friday. If there are any further question, please don't hesitate to ask.

Mrs Swansborough and Miss Ellis