

# WILLOW CLASS SUMMER NEWSLETTER



## WELCOME TO THE SUMMER TERM!

We hope you've had a lovely Easter. As the weather starts to warm up, please send your child with a full water bottle and sun hat every day. We ask that you apply an all day sun cream daily before school. Please continue to send a waterproof jacket every day, as we explore outside in all weathers.

This term our P.E days will be Tuesdays and Fridays. Please provide children in Reception with a P.E kit bag which can stay at school. This should contain jogging bottoms or shorts, a white t-shirt and trainers or plimsolls. Nursery children should come dressed in comfortable clothing they can move freely in.

This term we will be visiting the beach every Thursday afternoon. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to learn about the natural world, whilst developing confidence and independence. Please can children wear jogging bottoms or leggings, trainers and their school jumpers. Please send a change of clothes in their bags just in case!

## LITERACY

This term, we are diving into two wonderful stories: *Iggy Peck, Architect* by Andrea Beaty and *The Magic Paintbrush* by Julia Donaldson.

Through these engaging books, we will be helping the children to build their confidence in retelling familiar stories. They will take part in a range of exciting activities including role play and storytelling circles to bring the stories to life. This will support them in remembering key events, characters, and language patterns, while also developing their speaking and listening skills.

Using their ever-growing phonics knowledge, children in Reception will write their own sentences that can be read and understood by others. They will have opportunities to write for a variety of purposes, such as creating their own story versions, writing captions, making labels and even designing and describing their own magical paintbrush creations!

## MATHS

In Maths we will be learning to recognise and name 3-D shapes. We'll notice the 2-D faces of 3-D shapes and investigate which shapes are best for building the tallest towers. Reception children will also develop their counting skills, exploring numbers to 20 and beyond, before applying their knowledge of number bonds to subtraction.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19<sup>th</sup> June Fathers/special persons' picnic 12:00 - 13:00

26<sup>th</sup> June Nursery and Reception Sharing Assembly 14:30

3rd July Sports Day 13:30

## HAVE YOU SEEN...

Cbeebies parenting website, *Tiny Happy People?* It's jam packed with useful information and advice, on everything from sleep, to screen time and ideas for creative play!

Scan the QR code to check it out.

