



Willow Class

Newsletter

Spring Term

2017

TOPICS FOR THE SPRING TERM

Welcome back and best wishes for 2017! Our main topic this term will be **Blast from the Past** – a History-based topic focusing on the main events of **The Great Wars** and home life during **World War 2**. An overview of what the children will be learning is attached to this newsletter.

Maths- we will be following the objectives from the National Curriculum. Objectives include fractions, decimals and percentages plus regular practice of \times , $+$, $-$ and \div , place value, problem solving and arithmetic.

English-genres covered this term will include: Persuasive writing, diary entries, stories and newspaper reports

PE & Games – Outdoor Games on a Thursday and Dance on Friday

General Information

PE and Games- We would be grateful if you could make sure that your child has their named, full kit in school all week in case of timetable changes. **This should include outside trainers, jogging bottoms and a warm top.** Gloves and a warm hat may also be useful this term, depending on the weather! Could you please also remember that if children have pierced ears, they must either remove their earrings or cover with tape. Long hair also needs to be tied up securely.

Spelling

Pupils will continue to be taught spelling patterns in class and will be expected to practise them daily. There will be a formal, weekly test on these words and those from the lists of spellings from the National Curriculum. Pupils will be expected to use the correct spellings in class and to use a dictionary when unsure.

Willow Team

Mrs Marshall & Miss Bundy

Homework

Children are expected to read at least 4 times a week and to practice their times tables and spellings. In addition, two pieces of formal homework will be set per week-one Maths and one English.

English will be set on a Monday and will be due in on a Thursday; Maths will be set on a Thursday and will be due in on a Tuesday. There may also be homework from other subjects.

Seeing teachers—should you have any concerns whatsoever about your child's education, or any questions you wish to raise, then please do not hesitate to contact us, either at the end of the day or by appointment.

Behaviour

There will be a number of different rewards for good behaviour within the class.