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Dear Parents,

Curriculum Letter – Willow Class

Welcome to another school year and to all Class 2 pupils hoping you all had a lovely summer break. A very special welcome to the new Year 3 children to the juniors and to key stage 2. There is a lot of hard work ahead for all of us but I know, with lots of effort, we will have another enjoyable and successful year.

Homework

This will be given out every Friday online with my maths. Homework should be completed within one week online (paper copies available and please remember to call in if any concerns). In addition, I would ask that all children must read at least 3 times a week. Children are free to change their books when necessary, although this is usually done on Friday's. Certain children who need extra help with reading will be heard every week and we try to record this in planners. Whatever stage your child is at in reading please encourage reading for enjoyment and understanding and also to help them to develop research skills. Times tables tests and practise will also continue in addition to the above and children will be regularly tested in class.

In Literacy Class 2 will continue to look at grammar, punctuation, spellings and sentence work in addition to: Creating Images in Poetry, Instructions and Explanations and stories in familiar settings; using the fantastic 'Horrid Henry' books. As always I will continue to place a strong emphasis on handwriting and presentation. Every child will practise school cursive handwriting and be encouraged to take pride in their work.

In Numeracy we will be working hard again in all areas of basic maths, focusing on addition/ subtraction, multiplication/ division, fractions, time, areas and shape. Children will be working towards securing and applying basic skills and applying their knowledge to mental maths and challenges. As previously mentioned, I would encourage all children to practise times tables and extend their knowledge to corresponding division facts ready for tests. Your support at home with homework or extra work is always appreciated.

Every child will be asked to complete a project at home on a given topic. This term the children will focus their project on 'Inspirational People' and will be given a date in which to present their topic to the class over the next few weeks. This can be done in any chosen way and does not have to be by PowerPoint. Sketches, handmade artefacts, posters or fact sheets are welcomed. The purpose of the project is to give the children a chance to extend their own learning and present their work back to the class, thereby encouraging their speaking and listening skills.

In R.E we will be looking at 'Harvest, Called by God and Christmas'. We will also continue to follow our class worship themes each week. PHSE will focus on Emotional health and Well-being and Bullying.

In Art this term we will be looking closely at developing drawing skills and the artist Paul Cezanne. Art will also now be covered in fantastic Friday.

Design and technology will be covered in fantastic Friday and each year group will have the opportunity to work with Mrs Banbury to design and construct with Lego and complete Stem Challenges. We will be also be looking at Healthy life styles and foods in DT and Sewing skills.

Our ICT will begin with Online digital safety and Internet Safety and class theme of 'Back to the future', looking at data and how information is collected and presented.

P.E this term will be on Thursday and we will continue to follow Lancashire plans for Gymnastics and Games.

This term we will continue to study French as part of our Modern Foreign Languages using Light bulb French and learning: greetings, names, family and numbers. Music will be taught by Mrs Lilley following our music programme. Children also have the opportunity to have lessons in brass and singing with outside agency teachers.

Our humanities focus is History this term, where we will be travelling back in time looking closely at the past and discussing "is it better to be a child now than in the past?" Then a fantastic unit for Geography using maps and looking at atlases.

In Science we will become experts in Forces and having fun with magnets. After half term an exciting topic on Animals, Skeletons and Movements and completing a STEM Challenge - 'Bone Mystery'.

Another exciting and fun term to look forward to. Once again thank you for all your support and I look forward to another successful year in Class 2.

If you do have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many Thanks

Mrs Millward