# **School Information**



Willow and Alder class

#### **Dear Parents**

We hope you all had an enjoyable summer holiday. It has been lovely to meet your children and they have settled well into Year 2.

#### **English**

During this term the children will be looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. They will be encouraged to use capital letters and full stops in their own writing. Each child's reading progress will be monitored every week and the children will also take part in a weekly guided reading session. There will be a daily phonics lesson and handwriting lessons where the children will be practising correct letter formation and joins.



#### **Mathematics**

During the term the children will be working on number skills, calculations, shapes and measure, data handling and word problems. The children will complete addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems. They will find fractions of numbers and shapes. A great emphasis is placed on the children solving problems and investigating numbers. The children are also taught to talk about their problem solving and explain how they found an answer.

## PE

Children will need their PE kit in school every day.
Please ensure that plimsolls still fit and all kit is named.
Children should remove their earrings for PE days (Fridays) and long hair should be tied up.

## Computing

Children will be using a variety of software programmes.
They will be taking images and using word processing to add captions. They will also create a simple algorithm.



Our topics this term include learning about staying healthy including the importance of exercise and healthy eating. We will also be learning about famous people with a particular focus on Florence Nightingale and how hospitals and medicines have changed from past to present.

#### **Homework**

Children will be given a set of spellings on a Friday that should be practised at home. They will be tested on these the following Friday when new words will be given.

Please also read with your child daily and sign the reading record so that by working together your child will make maximum progress.

Your child will have a homework journal where a piece of number and topic work will be set fortnightly.

### **Time Keeping**

It is extremely unsettling for children to arrive in class after work has started. Therefore we would ask you to please ensure that your child arrives promptly for registration at 8.45 a.m for the beginning of our mental maths session. Registration closes at 8:55 promptly. Thank you.

#### **PSHCE**

- Hopes and fears
- Rights and responsibilities
- Rewards and consequences
- Celebrating differences
- Recognising bullying
- Making friends
- Understanding ways in which we are unique
- Tolerance

# Religious Education

Signs and symbols.

The children will be learning about important signs and symbols for different religions. In the second half of term the children will be learning about the importance of giving linked to the Christmas story.

We look forward to an enjoyable term. Please do not hesitate to come to see us if you have any concerns or queries about your child's personal progress. Quick queries can usually be dealt with after school. If you feel that you would like a longer discussion please arrange a convenient time. Many thanks,

Ms Culshaw and Miss Wood