

# Spring 2– Willow Class

Willow Class Teaching Team

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## Class routines:

Welcome to Spring 2.

## **Reading books**

Please listen to your child read every night and sign their reading log and initial their 100-club grid. Please bring reading books into school everyday. Reading books will be changed on a Tuesday and sent home on a Wednesday.

## **Homework**

Please complete at least one homework challenge each week. Work can be sent via class dojo or handed in on paper. Certificates will be given for children who complete all tasks.

## **Spellings**

These will be given out on a Friday via class dojo and tested the following Friday. Please make sure you practice these words at home.

## Geography:

We will be using atlases, maps and globes to identify hot and cold countries in the world before learning about where and what the equator is. We will then learn about the climate in countries near the Equator and about the location of the North and South poles and the climate in these places before becoming weather presenters to showcase our knowledge!

## English:

Our main text this half term is Mia Mayhem. We will enter the world of superheroes! We will read chapters of the story and make predictions at key points. We will explore new vocabulary and the thoughts and feelings of the main characters through drama. We will identify and describe the events within the story and use our inference skills.

## Science:

We are finding out about the lifecycle of animals, what an animal needs to survive and about what humans need to do to stay healthy. This will help us answer our key question: 'What does a human need to do to survive?'

## Religious Education:

This half term we are focusing upon the religion of Christianity. We will look at the importance of the Lord's Prayer and how and why Christians pray. We will also listen to and identify the events of the Easter story.

## D.T.

We will be investigating books and other products that contain levers and slider mechanisms. We will then create simple slider and lever mechanisms before designing and making an Easter card containing one of these mechanisms.

## Computing:

We will be using the tools on the 2Art program on Purple Mash to recreate art in different styles such as impressionism and pointillism.

Music: This half-term we are continuing to learn how to play glockenspiels! We will learn how to play different notes and will start to read notation.

## Mathematics:

We will be learning about odd and even numbers and partitioning numbers to ten. We will then move onto adding numbers or addends and writing addition and subtraction equations.

## PE:

Our PE day will continue to be on a Wednesday. This half term our topic will be gymnastics and we will be learning how to move in different ways along the floor and apparatus. This will then culminate in creating a simple sequence of movements and skills.