

Summer Term 2024

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a restful Easter break. It has been lovely to see everyone coming into school smiling this morning, ready for another fantastic term in Willow Class.

Arrival and Dismissal

Children can arrive at school between **8:45am and 9:00am** for our soft start. Please arrive promptly as we go straight into our first lesson (Maths) as close to 9:00am as possible. Home time is at **3:20pm** and pick up is from the Willow Class door, as normal.

Curriculum

Please see the curriculum overview for Willow Class Spring 1.

Additional information:

In History this half term the children will be learning about the Anglo-Saxons. After the half term break, our topic focus will be Geography and we will begin our unit of learning entitled 'Fantastic Physical Features'.

In English we are starting with an exciting quest narrative, 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' by Joe Todd-Stanton. In maths, Year 4 will continue being taught by Mrs Marshall and Year 3 will be taught by Mrs Stubbs, as normal.

Home Learning

Reading: It is crucial for your child to continue to read at home regularly. Children will be provided with a reading book. There will be regular opportunities for the children to discuss their reading likes and dislikes and for staff to guide them in the right direction when choosing the next book to read.

Times Tables: The children are having great success in our 'Maths Mountain' challenge in school and we will continue practising our times table facts in class using a range of activities, including Times Table Rockstars. You can practise your multiplication facts at home too on Times Table Rockstars. Our 'Maths Mountain' test will be every Friday.

Year 4 Multiplication Check: This statutory multiplication check will take place in June for Year 4 children. Its purpose is to determine whether children can recall their times table facts fluently. You can practise at home using the following link, which is similar to the check in June as each question will be timed:

[Multiplication Tables Check - 2023 - Timestables.co.uk](https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check-2023)

Spelling: It is extremely beneficial for children to practise their spellings regularly at home. Children can practise online using Spelling Shed. The lists children will have access to will change weekly and they are linked to our spelling lessons in school. Their spelling progress will be assessed in Hive games each Friday. Paper lists will also be given out to children every Friday in their blue spelling books.

Other Information

- P.E. days in Willow Class are **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. We will be starting **swimming** on **Tuesday** 16th April and we have 5 sessions at Lower Wick swimming pool.
On **Thursdays** we will be doing **tennis** outdoors. Please send your child to school in their full P.E. kit, including a plain black jumper/hoodie if it is cooler. They will not need to bring any other uniform with them.
- Named water bottles must be in school each day. Water only please.
- Please remember that lunches must be ordered in advance using ParentPay.
- Class Dojo will continue to be used as a behaviour system across the school; the rewards and sanctions are linked to our school values. Please look out for any messages and letters, including Class Story to find out what we have been up to in class! Should you need to message me, please email:
office@martley-pri.worcs.sch.uk
Mrs. Owen or Mrs. Lewis will be happy to forward the message on to me.

Thank you for your continued support. I am really looking forward to having a brilliant summer term with Willow Class.

Mrs Jody Marshall
&
Mrs Caroline Stubbs

