



WILLOW CLASS – Summer Term

"Radical Romans"



English

As part of our 'Radical Romans' topic, Willow Class will be writing a story set during the Roman era including a dilemma!

They will then will be developing their non-chronological skills, writing a newspaper report about the Romans.

In the second half of term, the children will be moving onto reading and writing playscripts of their own. The class read will be 'Bill's New Frock' by Anne Fine.

We are reading:



RE

In RE, the children will be exploring two questions: 'For Christians, when Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost?' and 'How and why do people mark the significant events of life?'. They will be able to make simple links between the description of Pentecost in Acts 2, the Holy Spirit, the Kingdom of God, and how Christians live now.

Maths

During the summer term, the class will cover:

- Decimals (Y4)
- Continuation with fractions (Y3)
- Money
- Time

We will be looking at a variety of methods to answer word problems as well as revising taught formal methods for addition and subtraction. Children will use TT Rockstars to secure their knowledge of times tables and complete regular arithmetic tests. All maths understanding will be challenged and scaffolded using mastery and reasoning.

Science



In Science this term we are using scientific enquiry to interpret how and why things move on different surfaces and the effects of different types of forces, followed by comparing the names and properties of magnets.

They will be identifying pushes and pulls, magnetic strength, magnetic poles and be looking at a variety of forces such as air resistance, friction, tension etc.

Art and DT

This term, Willow class will be looking at the formal elements of art.

They will learn an abundance of artistic skills such as:

- Drawing using tone to develop 3D effects
- Explore proportion and tone when Drawing

Willow Class will be designing and creating their own Roman shields, as well as focusing on structures in Design and Technology, constructing a Roman Fort.



History

In History, Willow Class will be exploring life as a Roman soldier and slaves. They will understand the story of how Rome was founded, create an Ancient Rome Timeline and be able to highlight the expansion of Rome on a map.

As well as this, Willow class will be researching important figures during Roman history such as Julius Caesar.



Geography

Our topic of Radical Romans is a history based topic as we covered much geographical content in our last topic of "Our Wonderful World".

The children will use a range of resources to locate Ancient Rome, compare its society to now and explore the social structures within its civilisation.



Music

In music this term, Willow Class will be adapting and transporting motifs with a Roman theme and will be practising ballads working on singing skills. Children will identify motifs aurally and play a repeated pattern on a tuned instrument as well as create and perform a motif, notating it with reasonable accuracy.



PE

In Physical Education, Willow Class will be moving onto gymnastics in the first half of term.

During gymnastics, Years 3 and 4 will be:

- Learning how to use gymnastic equipment safely
- Practising their co-ordination and the ability to balance with precision.

Adriano will be covering handball and rounders, developing ball skills and good sportsmanship. We will also be attending the HMFA Athletics in July.



PSHE

In PSHE we are looking at 'Relationships' discussing the roles and responsibilities of ourselves, family members, friends and the wider community across the world. After half term, we will move on to 'Changing Me' and examine how personal characteristics come from birth parents, how body parts change as we grow enable us to reproduce. who have different lives to ours.



Computing

This term, Willow Class will be learning about 'Computational Thinking' and 'Networks and the Internet'. They will be able to solve problems using computational thinking as well as understanding the terms 'pattern recognition' and 'abstraction'. Additionally, children will understand what a network is and how the internet works.

French

The children will be learning phrases for sports and hobbies. By the end of term, they will have learnt basic phrases to use in a short conversation as well as writing phrases in French.

Values of the term:

April - Respect
May - Wisdom
June - Freedom
July - Friendship