

## Term 5 - Term 6 below

Willows class topic for this term is *How Does Your Garden Grow?*

Our role play area this term is a *Garden Centre* and children will be designing and making seed packets, signs and labels for the shop and buying and selling plants and equipment using money.

Our science topic is all about plants and what they need to grow. We will be growing cress and investigating the best conditions for growing **so please save any small yoghurt pots and send them in.** They make great pots for cress growing. The children will also have the opportunity to plant and care for various seeds in Willows outside planting area and plant pots.

We also have a great opportunity to use the school allotment. Mrs McArdle will be taking groups of children to design, plan, plant and care for our class plot. They will be plotting the route to the allotment and adding human and physical features. Children will also be taking photos and adding text to them whilst they are at the allotment for their computing topic of *I am a photographer*.

In Literacy we will be developing our writing skills through information texts about plants and allotments. We will also be reading, reciting and writing various types of plant poems and narratives.

Our RE topic is, *Who is a Muslim and What Do They Believe?* Looking at the religion of Islam and the prophet Mohammed and how Muslim stories reflect caring for people and animals.

Our year 2 children will be participating in the KS1 SATs at the end of term.

## Term 6

Willows class topic for term 6 is Where The Wild Things Are.

Our role play area this term is a wherever the children's imaginations take them. We will be reading Where the Wild Things Are and Anthony Browne's The Tunnel so children will be going through their own tunnel to wherever they want to. We will continue to use the allotment to inspire ideas for any Wild Things that may be dancing and playing there for our literacy narrative story ideas. We will also be continuing our science topic of caring and nurturing our plants and growing beans.

The class will also use computing software to take photos of animals and plants which they can then edit and print to make a class book.

Through art Willows will be exploring the artist Matisse as well as Aboriginal animal finger painting and African tribal patterns. They will be using fabric paints and pens to print their artwork onto a T shirt which they can keep and take home . **Please could each child bring in one white T-Shirt with their name on for this project if possible please.** We will also be using art computer software to further develop their cultural artwork.

In Literacy we will be developing our writing skills through adventure narratives and descriptive writing. The books we will be reading to inspire our imagination will be The Tunnel, Bear Hunt and Zoo by Anthony Browne, Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne and Where The Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak.

Year 1 will have their phonics check at the beginning of the term.