

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

Our role play area this term is Noah's Ark where the children can retell the story as the characters or use the stick puppets to perform as well as have opportunities to research and find out about animals and what they eat.

Our science topic is all about plants and what they need to grow. We will be growing cress and beans and investigating the best conditions for growing and we have a class garden area behind our classroom where the children will be planting and caring for a range of plants.

Our Art will reflect our learning about animals and plants through the Artist Matisse where we will be looking at patterns and colour.

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 animals, plants and allotments as well as poetry writing and narratives.

Our RE topic is Judaism and the stories that are in the Torah. We will be visiting Ramsgate reform synagogue to look at a real Torah scroll that is 500 years old and to also find out about the Jewish faith.

Our year 2 children will be completing the KS1 SATs towards the end of term.

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.

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 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.** 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.