

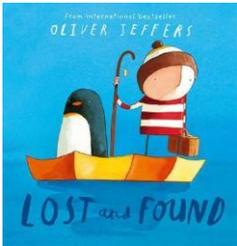
# Willow Class - Autumn 2025

A very warm welcome back to school everyone and a special welcome to all our new families. We hope that you have had a relaxing summer break and are as excited as we are about the new school year.

This letter will give you a brief outline of what we are learning in Willow this term. If you have any questions, please pop them onto Seesaw. We believe that communication between parents/carers and ourselves is vital so please ask questions and share with us any information that will help us to keep your child happy and safe on a daily basis. Seesaw is our primary method of communication so if you are experiencing any problems connecting please contact us via the school office so that we can assist you.

Our learning this term:

## English - Lost and Found

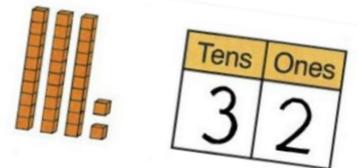


In English, we will be consolidating our phonic knowledge, sentence building and letter formation. We will work on our comprehension skills and fluency when reading and explore spelling rules.

Our writing tasks will be based on 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. The children will explore the text with lots of different activities and will be writing their own sentences and creating their own adventure stories.

## Maths - Place Value

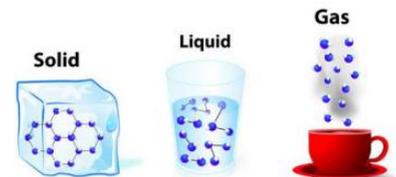
In maths, we will be consolidating our understanding of numbers to 10 / 20 / 100. We will explore place value, learn to partition numbers and confidently use place value charts. We will compare and order numbers as well as count in 2, 5, 10 and 3's.



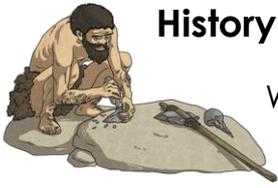
After half term, we will begin to use some formal written methods to add and subtract two-digit numbers. Children have access to Numbots / TT rockstars to help with quicker recall of number facts. Usernames and passwords for this will be sent out via Seesaw so that you can practise at home.

## Science - States of Matter / Animals including humans

Our science work for the first half of the autumn term is states of matter. The children will learn about solids, liquids and gases, observe water as a solid, a liquid and a gas and explore the effect of heating and cooling water. They will also carry out investigations into evaporation and the water cycle.



After half term we will move on to learning about animals including humans. The children will learn about the different parts of the human digestive system, discover about the different types of teeth animals have and their jobs and draw food chains.



## History - "What happened after the Romans left"

We will be learning who the Anglo Saxons were, why they came to Britain and finding out about life in an Anglo Saxon village and comparing it with our lives today.

## Geography - "What might I find in the UK and Europe?"

We will be learning about the four countries that make up the UK and the surrounding seas, the 7 continents and 5 oceans and different types of climates. We will compare the UK to Spain.



Other curriculum areas:

<b>RE</b>	Christianity God – Why do Christians say that God is the 'Father'? Jesus – Why is Jesus so special to Christians?
<b>PSHE</b>	Jigsaw - Being in my world / Celebrating difference My Happy Mind – Meet you brain / Celebrate
<b>Computing</b>	Developing mouse skills Word processing
<b>Art</b>	Painting and mixed media – collages
<b>DT</b>	Food and Nutrition – making smoothies
<b>Music</b>	Pulse
<b>PE</b>	Athletics Personal Skills

Class Notices:

### PE

PE takes place on Wednesday and alternate Thursdays. Please make sure that your child has a named PE kit with them in school – Dallam blue PE top, black shorts and a pair of trainers. As the weather gets colder you may want to include a black hooded top and pair of jogging bottoms. Please ensure all kit including trainers are clearly labelled.

### Snack

We will have snack time each morning at 10:30. Toast is available to purchase from school at £1 per week (payable on Friday). To help with transition at the end of the day, we are also having an afternoon snack at 2:50 where children can eat anything remaining in their lunch boxes or bring in an additional snack item. This has been working well as part of our home time routine.

Thank you for your continuing support. We will continue to add updates to Seesaw throughout the term to showcase our learning, work towards personal targets and share class notices.

The Willow Class Team ☺

