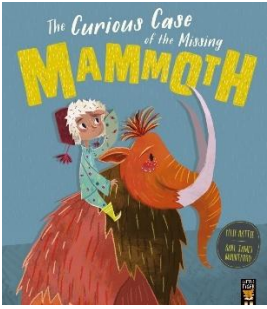


Willow Class - Autumn 2026

A very warm welcome back to school everyone. We hope you had a lovely summer!

Our learning this term:

English - The Curious Case of the Missing Mammoth



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 'The Curious Case of the Missing Mammoth' by Ellie Hattie & Karl James Mountford. We will be exploring the text and learning to use story language, write sentences to form a narrative to tell our own adventure story and use begin to use 'and' to join clauses.

Maths - Place Value and Addition/Subtraction

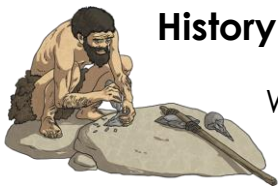
In maths, we will be consolidating our understanding of numbers to 20 / 100. We will explore place value, learning to partition numbers, find 1 more and 1 less and compare and order numbers. After half term, we will begin to use some formal written methods to add and subtract two-digit numbers. Children 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 - Light / Rocks and Soils



First, we will be investigating how shadows are formed and changed as well as how light is reflected.

After half term, we will be finding out about the three different types of rocks – igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic.



History - "Who were our prehistoric ancestors?"

We will be learning about life in the Stone Age. We will be finding out about life as a hunter gatherer, early farming and cave art and comparing it with our lives today.

Geography -

"What are the different types of settlement in the UK?"

We will be learning about the UK. We will explore the different types of settlements (hamlet, village, town and city) and how land is used.

The children will begin to name some of England's 48 counties.



Other curriculum areas:

RE	Christianity Why do Christians say that God is the Father? Why is Jesus special to Christians?
PSHE	Emotions: How do I feel today? Healthy Relationships: What makes a good friend?
Computing	Online Safety Developing mouse skills / using Sketch Pad Word Processing
Art	Drawing – exploring line and mark making techniques
DT	Food and Nutrition – making sandwiches / wraps
Music	Animals: Call and Response
PE	Fundamental Movement Skills

Class Notices:

PE

PE takes place on Tuesday and Wednesday. 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.

Seesaw

Thank you to everyone for signing up to Seesaw. We will use this as our home/school link book as well as recording your child's progress towards their personal targets. Please note - Seesaw messages will be checked and actioned within school hours.

Reading Books

We are in the process of assessing children's reading level and comprehension skills. Books will be matched accordingly and sent out within the next week. We will send out a message via Seesaw to confirm arrangements for reading books. Please try to read with your child each night for at least 10 minutes.

Snack

We will have snack time each morning at 10:30. Toast is available to purchase from school at £1 per week. To help with transition at the end of the day, we are also having an afternoon snack at 2:50 where children are able to eat anything remaining in their lunch boxes or snacks brought in from home.

Don't forget to follow our Facebook page, Dallam Community Primary School to keep up to date with all the fabulous learning the children are doing and visit our class page on the school website, dallamprimary.com.



Thank you for your continuing support.

The Willow Class Team ☺