

## Meet the Team





Welcome to Willow Class and Cherry Class 2024-25





### Willow Class Team



Hello I am Mrs Rolland, Willow Class' teacher.

Mrs Bilthouse and Mrs Crofts are our Teaching

Assistants.

Mrs Harder and Mrs Swann will be teaching in our class on Wednesdays during my Planning

Preparation and Assessment time.

Mr Green is our Sports Coach and teaches us PE every Wednesday.

We are all really looking forward to working with you and your children this year.





Mrs Chandler Cherry Class Teacher



## Cherry Class Team

Míss Price Cherry Class Teacher

Hello I am Mrs Chandler, Cherry Class' teacher from Tuesday to Friday. Miss Price will be teaching us every Monday.

Mrs Simpson is our Teaching Assistant.

Mrs Harder and Mrs Swann will be teaching in our class on Thursdays during my Planning Preparation and Assessment time.

Mr Green is our Sports Coach and teaches us PE every Wednesday.



We are all really looking forward to working with you and your children this year.

# Whole School Behaviour





### How do we encourage positive choices?

- Children will be awarded house points for demonstrating our school values.
- We collect marbles to earn our 'Golden Time' on a Friday. These are awarded for all children working as a team such as everyone helping to tidy up, sitting or lining up quietly or walking sensibly through the school. We use our maths skills to count the marbles and work out how many we still need to earn.







### Your child needs...

A named water bottle every day please that is extra to the one in their lunch box.

Named Wellies (we will be going on walks around the school grounds throughout the year and they are used for Woodland Learning).

A weather appropriate named coat every day.

All clothing to be named, especially jumpers and cardigans!

Full & named P.E Kit. Trainers are allowed and are often more supportive than plimsolls but please only send in laced ones if they can do them up themselves!



# Cherry Class Expectations

- The children will be introduced to the KS1 curriculum in the Autumn Term and should be fully emersed by the start of the Spring Term.
- They will continue to learn through continuous provision and play-based learning in the classroom and in our outside area.
- The children will be encouraged to become more independent, for example, getting themselves dressed and undressed for PE and selecting their tools for learning.



# Willow Class Expectations

- The children will be encouraged to become increasingly independent and organised as the year goes on, to enable them to be ready to progress to KS2 by the end of the year.
- The children will continue to learn in different ways and will be given some choice in their learning and in how they challenge themselves.
- There will still be lots of continuous provision available to the children and plenty of play-based learning both inside and outside the classroom.



## Learning at school

Each class will base their learning around a topic. Learning will be both inside and outside of the classroom and will happen in groups, pairs and individually. Learning will be both teacher directed and child lead. Some learning will be recorded in books, but sometimes through pupil voice and a photo being taken.









### Home Learning

 Reading - Most children will be bringing home a RWInc book in their reading folders, which will be changed by your child's reading teacher once they have read the book three times in school. Some Year 2 Children will be choosing their own book from the classroom.

Phonics and spellings lists are on our Class Pages for you to work through at your own pace.

Home learning Grid tasks can be uploaded to Tapestry or sent in to share in class in person. We will look at these as soon as possible in class and award house points.







# Reading



We recommend that you try to read with your child five times a week for approximately 10mins. We appreciate family life is busy, but any time you dedicate to practising reading skills will be beneficial to your child's development. This can also be sharing a book together with you reading to them, as this is a vital part of developing a love of reading and is also vital in helping to increase their vocabulary.

#### At Home

We would like you to record your child's reading progress at home in their yellow reading log. This doesn't need to be every time that they read, but as often as you can. Your comments are so helpful for us, as they enable us to form a picture of what your child can do and what progress they are making. We will check the reading records as often as we can and reply to any queries as soon as possible. Sending it in in your child's hand is often helpful. House points are awarded for reading at home!

#### At School

We assess the children's reading at school in many ways; group reading, paired reading, whole class reading and sometimes 1:1 reading. We record our assessments in school rather than in the home reading record and will share progress with you in the usual way during Parent Consultation Meetings. If you have any concerns or questions at any time, do feel free to come and have a chat.

### Phonics in Year 1 and 2

All children practise their sounds as part of the curriculum.

We follow the Read Write Inc scheme as a school.

Reception, Year 1 and 2 children are put into groups according to the sounds they already know, so children focus on the appropriate sounds for their current need. (These groups are not static and are open to change). We assess their phonics regularly so that we can ensure that all children are in the correct group.

At the end of Year 1 children undertake a Phonic Screen Assessment. This is a national assessment that happens in all schools. It is undertaken with their class teacher and takes about 10 minutes, 1-1 per child. Children are required to segment and blend words and non-words containing the phonemes that they have already been taught in school. This is something that is familiar to the children already. Children in Year 2, who did not achieve the required pass in Year 1, will retake the assessment also.

### **Phonics**



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Speed Sounds

### Spelling



Please focus on **reading and spelling** these Common Exception Words at home at your own pace throughout the year.

### **Common Exception Words**

	Yeo	ır 1		
α	his	push	was	
are	house	put	we	
ask	I	said	were	
be	is	says	where	
by	love	school	you	
come	me	she	your	
do	my	so		
friend	no	some		
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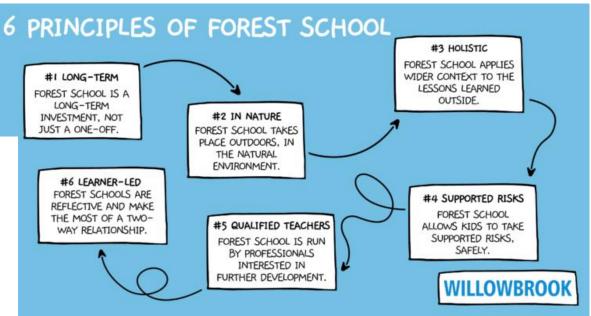




### **Woodlands Learning Kit List**

- -Jacket/waterproof coat
- -Fleece/sweatshirt\*
- -Waterproof trousers/trousers that can get muddy\*
- -Spare socks
- -Wellies or boots (named)
- -Woolly hat/sunhat (weather dependent)
- -Gloves (weather dependent)
- -Spare plastic bag for muddy kit

<u>Please come to school dressed ready</u> <u>for Woodlands Learning, any extra kit</u> in a named bag.





<sup>\*</sup>Shorts and short sleeved shirts are not suitable



## Woodland Learning Dates

Cherry Class - Autumn Term

Thurs 5/9/24

Thurs 19/9/24

Thurs 3/10/24

Thurs 17/10/24

Thurs 7/11/24

Thurs 21/11/24

Thurs 5/11/24

Thurs 19/11/24

Willow Class - Autumn Term

Weds 11/9/24 Weds 25/9/24

Weds 9/10/24

Weds 23/10/24

Weds 13/11/24 Weds 27/11/24 Weds 11/ 12/24



# Keeping Up-to-Date



### Remember to check...

- Tapestry
- The school website and the 'Up to the Minute'
- Class Webpage You will find our Termly Topic Web and other important information.
- Book bags check for letters and forms to complete

Any questions?

If you have any questions, please ask at school drop off or pick up.

You can also email me us messages@loxwoodschool.com, addressing the emails to Mrs Rolland or Mrs Chandler.

