

Willow Class Newsletter Autumn 2 2025

Welcome back, I hope you all had a restful week and feel ready to take on this jam-packed half term!

Curriculum- please see the curriculum plan on our class page on the school website to explain what the children will be learning in this half-term. Our theme for this half-term will be 'Celebrations' for the first few weeks, we will then move on to a theme of 'Once Upon a Time'.

PE- this will continue be on a **Tuesday-** taught by Mr Green, the children will move into the hall as the weather gets colder.

Phonics- we will continue to learn the remaining letters of the alphabet before then moving on to learn some diagraphs (two letters that together make one sound, eg sh as in shell) before Christmas. Please keep looking back in the children's homework books to revise the previously taught sounds as it is important that they can retain these when moving on to more complex sounds. Thank you so much for safely returning reading books last half term, let's keep that up 😊

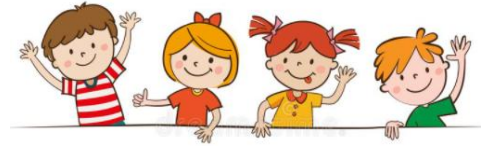
Lining up- from the beginning of this half-term (Monday 3rd November) the children will begin lining up in the playground with the rest of the school. Mrs Langley will be there to welcome the children and ensure they are standing in their line. The children are required to stand in their line in the mornings and not run around on the playground for their safety and the safety of younger siblings, your cooperation with this is hugely appreciated.

I know that it is confusing that we need different books in school on different days, just to be clear this is what your child needs to bring in each week please:

-Mondays- return of phonics reading book and orange reading diaries are checked by a member of staff

-Thursdays- return of yellow homework books so I can look at them on Thursday evening and stick new homework in to come home on Friday

-Fridays- library books in bookbags for our library slot on a Friday afternoon



School Christmas Trees- it is a Rougham Primary School tradition that Willow class walk to Blackthorpe Barns to choose the two school Christmas trees that are kindly donated to us by Rougham Estates. This year our walk will take place on **Thursday 20th November**, we invite a parent/carer to walk with each child. I will be sending a Google form to confirm if you or a member of your family will be joining us so I know who to expect. We will leave school around 9.00am and return by 10.30am.

Outdoor learning- we all really enjoyed our outdoor learning last half term with Acorns pre-school and hope to do this every half-term. Our next one will be on **Thursday 27th November**, if any parents are able to join us for this please let me know.

Nativity- our Willow, Pine and Ash class nativity play will be taking place on **Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th December**, timings TBC.

The children and staff will be eating Christmas lunch together on **Thursday 18th December**, the children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper to school on this day.

Please feel free to ask me any questions directly or send an email via the school office if there is anything you would like to know.

Kind regards,
Mrs Sturgeon and the Willow Class Team.