



Willow Class (Year 1 & 2)

Term 1 Class Topic Web



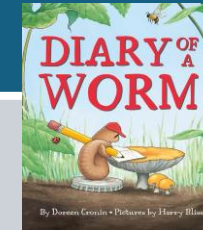
Mathematics

Time
Shape
Counting and Comparing
Addition and Subtraction



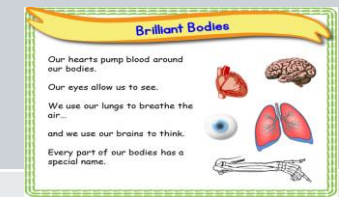
English

Diary of a Worm - Recounts & Diary Entries
Daily Phonics and comprehension
Regular spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting practise



Science

Animals Including Humans (with a focus on organs, parts of the human body and senses).



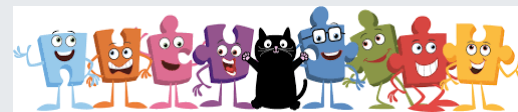
Computing

Programming
Word Processing
Using MS Paint



PSHE&C

Jigsaw - Celebrating Difference



RE

Why does Christmas matter to Christians?



Music

Pulse, Rhythm and Pitch
Singing
Drumming & Glockenspiel
Christmas Play

DT/Art

Vehicle Junk Modelling
Firework Pictures
Remembrance Day Art



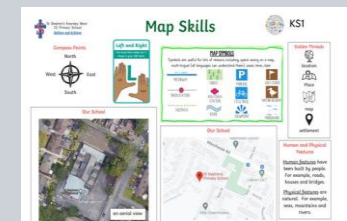
PE

Dance
Movement Skills
Gymnastics

PE kit needs to be worn every Thursday and Friday.

History/Geography

What is a map and what is it used for?



Class Updates & Notices

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to a new term! We have a busy and few months ahead, filled with a variety of learning experiences. From mastering telling the time in maths to writing diaries in English, exploring programming in computing, and getting creative by designing and building junk model vehicles, there's something for every child to enjoy.

A few pages further in this newsletter, you will find the Year 1 & 2 common exception words. By the end of the school year, children are expected to confidently read and spell most of these. We've also included phonics sounds, rhymes and a speed sounds chart to help support your child's familiarity and confidence in their reading journey.

We'll be sharing more information soon about the Early Years and Key Stage 1 Christmas play, which will take place at the church. We're planning to hold performances across two mornings for parents and families to enjoy.

Continuing from last term, the class will be supported by myself, Mr Conlan, along with Miss Heath (student teacher), Miss Heaford and Mrs Rawlins, who will be supporting at various times throughout the week.

Please remember that PE days are every Thursday and Friday. Ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit, with hair tied back and earrings covered for safety. Also, it's important that reading is logged regularly on Boom Reader as this is monitored by staff weekly.

In the coming weeks, I will provide more details about the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 2 SATs assessments, which take place near the end of the academic year.

Thank you as always for your ongoing support. Should you have any questions or wish to get in touch, please don't hesitate to contact me.
Best wishes, Mr Conlan

Homework

While we do not set structured and formal homework in Key Stage 1, it is important that skills and knowledge covered in class are recapped and consolidated at home. Each term, we will share a list of suggestions for homework activities. Any activities that are completed, please bring these in for us to show and celebrate in class!

- Reading (at least 5 minutes daily) - parents, please record/log when you have heard your child read.
- Spelling Practise (including high frequency and common exception words)
- Number bonds to 10 and 20 (number facts to 100 too for Y2 children)
- Fluency with x2, x3, x5 and x10 tables
- Handwriting (cursive script)

- Write and keep your own personal diary or write a recount about something you have done.
- Use junk model materials at home to build your own vehicle.
- Make your own timetable at home along with the times (clock faces).
- Write some of your own time word problems!
- Create a piece of Christmas artwork.

Year 1 Common Exception words

the

a

do

to

today

of

said

says

are

were

was

is

his

has

I

you

your

they

be

he

me

she

we

no

go

so

by

my

here

there

where

love

come

some

one

once

ask

friend

school

put

push

pull

full

house

our

Year 2 - Common Exception Words

door	floor	poor	because	find	kind	mind
behind	child	children	wild	climb	most	only
both	old	gold	cold	hold	told	every
everybody	even	great	break	steak	pretty	beautiful
after	fast	last	past	father	class	grass
pass	plant	path	bath	hour	move	prove
improve	sure	sugar	eye	could	should	would
who	whole	any	many	clothes	busy	people
water	again	half	money	Mr	Mrs	parents

First 100 High Frequency Words

in frequency order reading down the columns

the	that	not	look	put
and	with	then	don't	could
a	all	were	come	house
to	we	go	will	old
said	can	little	into	too
in	are	as	back	by
he	up	no	from	day
I	had	mum	children	made
of	my	one	him	time
it	her	them	Mr	I'm
was	what	do	get	if
you	there	me	just	help
they	out	down	now	Mrs
on	this	dad	came	called
she	have	big	oh	here
is	went	when	about	off
for	be	it's	got	asked
at	like	see	their	saw
his	some	looked	people	make
but	so	very	your	an

Next 200 High Frequency Words

in frequency order reading down the columns (water to laughed then let's to grow)

water	bear	find	these	live
away	can't	more	began	say
good	again	I'll	boy	soon
want	cat	round	animals	night
over	long	tree	never	narrator
how	things	magic	next	small
did	new	shouted	first	car
man	after	us	work	couldn't
going	wanted	other	lots	three
where	eat	food	need	head
would	everyone	fox	that's	king
or	our	through	baby	town
took	two	way	fish	I've
school	has	been	gave	around
think	yes	stop	mouse	every
home	play	must	something	garden
who	take	red	bed	fast
didn't	thought	door	may	only
ran	dog	right	still	many
know	well	sea	found	laughed

Speed Sounds Set 1

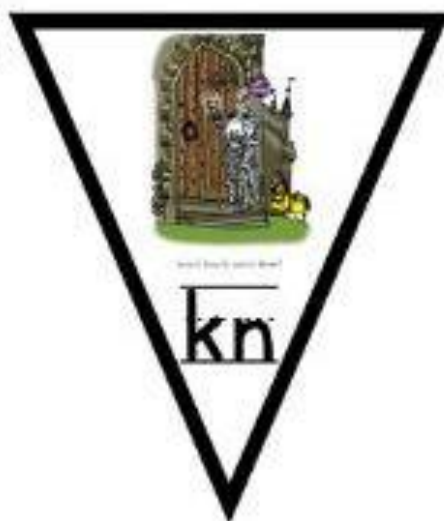
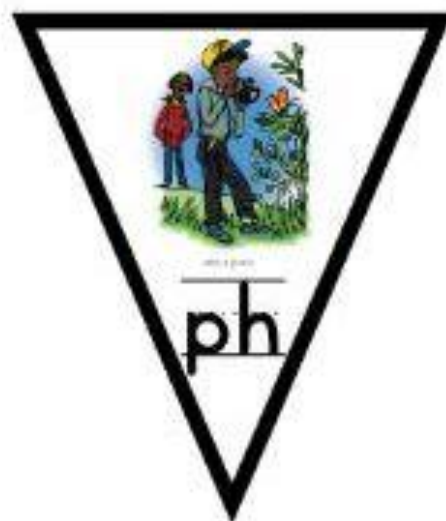
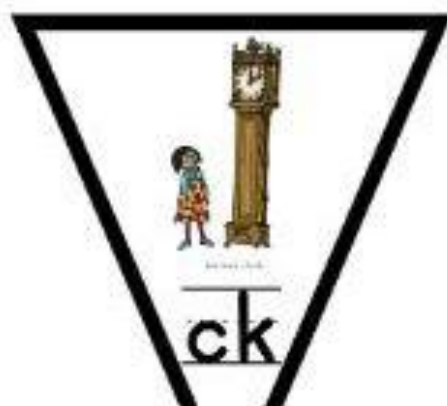
m 	a 	s 	d 	t 
i 	n 	p 	g 	o 
c 	k 	u 	b 	f 
e 	l 	h 	sh 	r 
j 	v 	y 	w 	th 
z 	ch 	qu 	x 	ng 

Speed Sounds Set 2

ay  may I play?	ee  what can you see?	igh  fly high	ow  blow the snow	oo  poo at the zoo
oo  look at a book	ar  start the car	or  shut the door	air  that's not fair	ir  whirl and twirl
Speed Sounds Set 3				
ea  cup of tea	oi  spoil the boy	ou  shout it out		
		oy  toy for a boy		

Speed Sounds Set 3

ea 	oi 			
a-e 	i-e 	o-e 	u-e 	aw 
are 	ur 	er 	ow 	ai 
oa 	ew 	ire 	ear 	ure 



RWI ADDITIONAL SOUNDS BUNTING - A4 PDF



Complex Speed Sounds

Consonant sounds

f	l	m	n	r	s	v	z	sh	th	ng
ff	ll	mm	nn	rr	ss	ve	zz	ti		nk
ph	le	mb	kn	wr	se		s	ci		
			gn		c		se			
					ce					

b	c	d	g	h	j	p	qu	t	w	x	y	ch
bb	k	dd	gg		g	pp		tt	wh			tch
	ck		gu		ge							
	ch				dge							

Vowel sounds

a	e	i	o	u	ay	ee	igh	ow
	ea				<u>a-e</u>	<u>e-e</u>	<u>i-e</u>	<u>o-e</u>
					ai	y	ie	oa
					a	ea	i	o
						e	y	oe

oo	oo	ar	or	air	ir	ou	oy	ire	ear	ure
<u>u-e</u>			oor	are	ur	ow	oi			
ue			ore		er					
ew			aw							
			au							