

Willow Class 2021 - 2022

Useful Information

Mrs Sanderson - Monday & Tuesday

Mrs Clough - Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

We hope that you have a fantastic summer filled with fun and adventures. We would like to take the opportunity to welcome you to Willow Class. We hope that you will feel settled and ready to start your journey with us in September. We can't wait to get to know and continue to know your children over the next year. Lets have some fun!

Whilst it is an exciting time, we also appreciate it can be a daunting time too. We encourage you to please speak to us if you have any concerns or worries (big or small). Messages can be passed on to us via the office or via Mrs Bennett on the ramp in the mornings. You can communicate with us regarding anything to do with teaching and learning via Seesaw – please don't send anything urgent through Seesaw as we may not see them straight away. Urgent information should be passed on via the school office e.g. absences, medical appointments or collecting your child early.

Home-School Links

In order for your children to get the very best out of school it is essential we create effective home-school links. We love to find out about your child's learning from home and their achievements. We love receiving pictures and videos of your child's learning moments via Seesaw.

You should all now be connected to your child's Seesaw journal and you will see their new class ready for September "Willow Class 2021 - 2022". If you are having issues with any of these, please let us know. All pupil and family codes will be sent out soon as reminders.

Physical Development

PE is going to be on Thursday afternoons.

During outdoor play sessions, the children enjoy playing on the bikes, exploring the play equipment and using this to develop specific skills such as balancing, jumping and controlling objects by pushing and kicking. As well as developing their gross motor skills, the children will also get chance to explore the natural world and making observations. We also bring other areas of the curriculum into the outdoors.

Willow Staff

Mrs Sanderson (M, T)



Mrs Clough (W, TH, F)



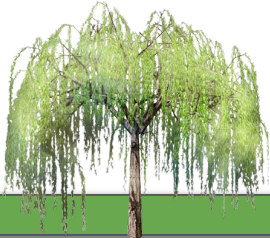
Mrs Dearden (All week)



We are all very excited to get to know all of our new class..

Punctuality

Every morning from 8.45am, an early morning activity is set in class. It would be helpful if your child can be in the classroom ready to complete these activities.



Essentials

P.E. kit inc pumps



Waterproofs inc Wellies



Water Bottle



Healthy (nut & pea free)
Snack



All items to be clearly
labelled

Snacks & Drinks



Children can access the snack table independently throughout the day. They receive a free piece of fruit or veg each day and they can also bring in a **healthy nut and pea free** snack from home in a labelled container. The children will have milk (if ordered) and can bring in a water bottle (no juice or pop please) - in a clearly labelled bottle with their name.

We encourage the children to eat their fruit and drink their milk (or water if they don't have milk) before lunch time. In the afternoon, they can help themselves to water and any snack that may remain from the morning session. Children are taught to wash their hands before snack and are encouraged to clear up independently after they've eaten.

Please ensure that we are made aware of all allergies so that we can keep your children safe.

Meet the Teacher

In the Autumn Term we will be holding a "Meet the Teacher" event. This is a quick "hello" from the adults in Willow class with a brief introduction to the class routines.

Class Trips

More information will follow nearer the time regarding all trips.

- 8th September - Great Fire of London Workshop in School.
- Walk to Summerseat garden centre - Block 2
- Smithills Park Farm - Block 3

Stationary

All children will be supplied with all stationary needed in their very own pencil case.

Birthdays

As we strive to be a healthier school, we ask parents not to send chocolates or sweets in for their children's birthdays. If you would like them to mark the occasion with their friends, you may like to donate a book or game for the class but please don't go to any expense, this is completely optional. These would then have a Birthday certificate inside such as: "This book was donated to Emmanuel Holcombe Primary School on Rosie's 5th birthday."

Sensory Toys

We have a basket of sensory aids, that are accessible to all children. Please do not send your child into school with fidget toys or other sensory aids.



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Reading, Phonics and Fluency

We will change reading books on a Monday and Thursday (if your child has read them and has been signed by yourself in their reading record). It is important that your child brings their reading book and reading record into school every day so that we can hear them read. Remember practise makes perfect when it comes to reading and a little a day is the best way!

Phonics flashcards and maths fluency homework activities will be uploaded weekly onto seesaw. We ask that these are looked at and used regularly. Five minutes daily practice at home using these activities is essential in supporting your child's development in reading, writing and maths fluency..

We will give you lots of ideas about how to use them throughout the year.

Homework

Homework will be set each Friday on Seesaw. You will see this pinned at the top on your child's Seesaw Journal. These activities will be based on our learning within the classroom and to help develop confidence and fluency

Uniform

We have high expectations for uniform, therefore we do not allow logos on clothes or nail varnish. Please ensure long hair (if it falls below the shoulders) is tied up. Children are allowed to wear stud earrings.
Please make sure your children are dressed warmly for school as we will have access to our outdoor area continuously..

Thank you

Thank you for reading our Welcome letter. We hope that you have found it useful. Please get in touch if you have any questions. We look forward to working with you all.

***Mrs Sanderson, Mrs Clough
and Mrs Dearden***

