CELEBRATING WILLOW CLASS!

A photo-rich celebration of learning and achievement

TERM
Autumn 2
2026

TERM	WELCOME BACK
Monday 2nd November until Friday 18th December	**Welcome back Willow Class!** Welcome back everyone! We hope you had a lovely half-term break, enjoyed some rest, and made some happy memories. It's wonderful to have you all back, ready for another exciting half term of learning, fun and new adventures! Let's start fresh, remember to be kind, try our best, and continue to help each other shine. I can't wait to see all the amazing things we will achieve together! Let's make this half term a fantastic one, Willow Class!

LEARNING IN ACTION



Willow Class have been developing their independence, turn-taking and sharing skills through a range of activities. As part of our learning about Fantastic Festivals, learners explored different sights, smells and textures to discover new experiences.
The class also enjoyed working together to make healthy energy bars, taking turns to pour and mix ingredients. It has been wonderful to see everyone participating, developing their understanding of different festivals, and growing in confidence as they learn together.

PROUD MOMENTS



Our learners have been building their confidence within the local community. They have taken part in an educational visit to the Eden Project, where they were able to explore the different biomes, smells, and sights linking to different environments for our Fantastic Festivals topic!
They all did incredibly well, being wonderful representatives of our school and showing kindness to our friends throughout. Every little achievement is a big step towards greater independence!

DEVELOPING OUR SKILLS



Our learners have been developing their swimming and PE skills! They have been building water confidence and practicing their independence within the water and responding to adults to help them follow pool safety rules. They have also been engaging in group activities during PE, exploring taking part in group activities and moving in a group. It's wonderful to see the learners progress in their swimming confidence and participation in group activities within PE sessions. Every achievement, big or small, is a proud moment worth celebrating!

WOW MOMENTS

What a wonderful term we have had in Willow Class, making memories, trying new things and celebrating our achievements! From exciting adventures and a memorable trip to the Eden Project, to welcoming new classmates in September and building new friendships. We have enjoyed getting creative in art, making different prints and using materials to create festive artwork. Our Halloween celebrations have been full of spooky fun and dancing at the Halloween disco. Throughout all these experiences, our learners have continued to develop their confidence, independence, creativity and social skills, while learning the importance of teamwork, friendship and supporting one another. We are so proud of all the wonderful things our learners have achieved and feel incredibly fortunate to share these special experiences together. Here's to making even more magical memories in Willow Class!

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT / BRITISH VALUES

Learning in Our Community
We have been fortunate to be able to spend some time in our local community, making memories, developing life skills and embracing new experiences! Our learners have enjoyed having these opportunities to build confidence, independence and social skills. With even more exciting local community opportunities coming up in the rest of the year. We have also been celebrating Harvest Festival and meeting local authors who have come into school.

REMINDERS & NEXT STEPS

Useful information for families

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TRIPS & UPCOMING EVENTS

11th November – Remembrance Day

13th November – Children in Need

27th November – Skateboarding

4th December – Christmas Fayre

THE CLASS TEAM






NEXT STEPS IN OUR LEARNING

This half term, Willow Class will be continuing our learning about festivals and celebrations from different cultures and communities. We will be enjoying a new story through various sensory experiences. We will be developing our maths learning through practical activities, and taking part in creative celebrations linked to our topic. Alongside this, we will continue to support pupils to communicate in ways that suit them best, including using symbols, Makaton and communication devices. We will also focus on developing independence by following routines, organising resources and making choices throughout the school day.

LEARNING HIGHLIGHT



Willow Class have enjoyed taking their learning outside of the classroom. This has included going to the yard to explore their maths learning, exploring different colours, identifying and sorting these correctly and when in the SI room exploring different materials linked to festivals using our senses. . It was fantastic to see everyone develop in their learning and develop their curiosity.

SHARING OUR LEARNING



We have been working together to make some fantastic and creative artwork linking to our festival topics allowing learners to be creative. It was wonderful to see our learners' sharing materials, taking in turns and using different printing materials.

DON'T FORGET

PE – is on a **Thursday** – please send in a PE kit
Swimming – is on **Tuesday**, please send a kit in school for this day.
Outdoor learning/break times – please ensure your child has a coat as the weather changes.
Snacks – Please remember to provide your child with a **small healthy snack** daily.
Home Communication Books – Please check these daily for any daily updates/reminders, if you could initial these too to say you've seen them that would be amazing, thank you!

MORE MOMENTS



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