

PE Days

Autumn 1, Spring 1, Summer 1: Wednesday

Autumn 2, Spring 2, Summer 2: Thursday

Children must wear the correct P.E. kit every P.E. day. They will need to have black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, a plain white T-shirt and trainers/plimsolls. No watches or jewellery are allowed to be worn during the lesson.

Home Learning

As most children finish early on Friday afternoons (1pm), home learning activities will be posted online every Friday. Most tasks will be electronic but there will also be occasional practical/paper-based tasks set also. Please support your child with their homework and ensure tasks are **completed and returned on time**.

Spelling homework will be given out every Monday. Children should practise their spellings for their test the following Monday.

Reading

Reading is one of the most important skills for your child to learn! It is essential that they **read for 20 minutes every day** then sign their reading records. Reading records will be checked every Monday morning by Bradley. We will be continuing to use the reading program **Accelerated Reader**, which will support progress in reading. Our school library is currently closed but we will provide reading books in class and tests can still be accessed at home via the website.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Miss Clunis & Mr Mathewson

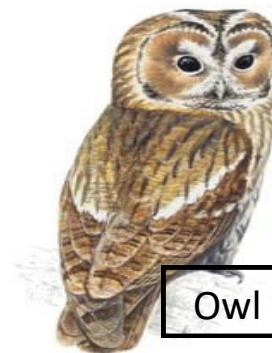
**If you would like to meet with your child's class teacher, please make an appointment through the office. Thank you!*



The Willow Primary School
Adams Road Tottenham N17 6HW

September 2020

Year 5—Autumn



Owl Class



Cuckoo Class

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the beginning of a new school year at the Willow Primary School. We hope you and your children had a fantastic summer break.

This year, **Mr Mathewson (& Mr Sufi)** will be leading Owl class and **Miss Clunis** is leading Cuckoo class. We also have **Bradley** (LSA) who will be working closely with our year 5 classes, supporting children to further meet their learning targets. We are all looking forward to seeing Year 5 children spreading their wings and soaring to new heights in their learning over the coming year!

This letter will give you an overview of the learning that will be taking place in your child's class in the different curriculum areas this term. On the back page is useful information about PE days, homework and so on.

If you have any questions at all, please speak to your child's class teacher.

We are really excited about the year ahead and hope you and your child are too!

Miss Clunis, Mr Mathewson & Mr Sufi.

Autumn 2020

English

Our first unit is **Science Fiction**. We will be revising the key features of fiction genres whilst linking our writing to our science topic on Space. The children will be writing exciting stories with a sci-fi setting.

Later in the half-term, we will be studying our non-fiction unit, **Reports and Explanation**. In this unit we will be focusing on writing reports and using research techniques to help us. After half term, we will be focusing on **Narrative Poetry** and **Persuasive Writing**.

Maths

This year we are using a new maths scheme called White Rose, which encourages the children to apply their mathematical skills in different ways including more of an emphasis on problem solving. This half term we will be focusing on **Number and Place Value**. Children will be learning about the value of digits to one million, multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 as well as focusing on rounding numbers. They will be using all four operations which will be applied to solving a range of word problems. We will then move on to other mathematical areas exploring geometry, fractions and data handling.

PSHE

We are continuing with our One Decision programme. After a very confusing and difficult year so far, we will look back at our lockdown memories and explore emotions. We will then reflect on how we can make the most of the year ahead. We aim that all children will be encouraged to make and achieve personal, physical, social and emotional targets to take them a step closer to their long term aspirations.

History/RE

Year 5 are studying a brand new topic this term for History. This topic combines with Religious Education. We will find out about the history of **Ancient Islamic Civilisations**.

The topic looks at the history of Baghdad. Trading and the Silk Road. It looks at the life of the prophet Mohammed (pbuh), the Arabian Nights story and a study of Arabic art.

Science

In Science we will be learning about 'Earth and Space' with a focus on the planets, describing the movement of the Earth around the sun and the Moon relative to Earth as well as understanding how we have day and night.

PE

This half term Year 5 are studying **Dance** in the hall with Miss Clunis. We ask that you wear your PE kit to school every **Wednesday**. After the half term holidays we will be having PE lessons with Bradley which will then be on **Thursdays**.