Willow Learners are:



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How to support your child at home:

The role of parents and carers is crucial in supporting your child's exciting learning experience.

How you can help:

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- Talk to your children about their learning and asking questions about their topics.
- Read the Broadwaters' Bunch and Willow Warbler newsletters for more information about the IPC.
 - Look on the website www.thewillow.haringey.sch.uk for more information about the IPC and which units are taught.
- If you have resources you can loan us, or are willing to share your experiences with our children- we would love to hear from you!



Teaching topics through the International Primary Curriculum



Willow learners are INCREDIBLE—see inside for more!



The Willow School on Broadwaters A unique inclusive community

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What is the International Primary

Curriculum (IPC)?

Using IPC helps children gain a love for learning. We can encourage children to acquire necessary skills and personal qualities for life long learning. These qualities include being inquisitive, collaborative, determined and resilient. We believe these '*Learning Powers*' will help our children become able and inspired learners. (See '*Willow Learners are INCREDIBLE*' overleaf). The IPC also helps children extend their knowledge of the world around them.



What topics will my child be learning?

Year 1: Who am I? , Let us Celebrate, People of the Past, Food, The Magic Toymaker, and Holidays.

Year 2: Keeping Healthy, Time Travellers, Travel, Media Magic, Our World, and the Circus.

Year 3: Chocolate, Airports, Scavengers and Settlers, Active Planet, and Dinosaurs.

Year 4: Egyptians, Community, Saving the World Inventions that Changed the World, Brain Wave, and Paintings, Pictures and Photographs.

Year 5: Space Explorers, Settlements, Weather and Climate, Ancient Greece and Rome, and Natural Forces.

Year 6: The Holiday Show, Ancient Aztecs and Mayans, and Express Yourself.

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How does it work?

The IPC believes that learning should be relevant and fun for children, so that they remain engaged in their learning.

Children learn through a series of IPC units of work. Each unit of work has a theme that children find interesting and relevant.

Year groups cover between 3 and 6 units each school year with most classes learning one topic per half term. Children will learn geography, history, art and design, international topics, music and languages which will links to their literacy, maths and science. This makes the learning meaningful. By linking subjects together, children make connections in their learning.

The IPC has been designed for children of all abilities and all learning styles, and encourages learning both in groups as well as individually.



The Classroom Experience

Each unit of work is launched through an *Entry Point* which introduces the *theme of the unit* to the children in an exciting and memorable way. Examples of entry points include building domes, becoming astronauts for the day, travelling on an aeroplane, visiting the doctor and having a celebration.

The learning journey is then continued through a *Knowledge Harvest* in which children share their prior knowledge of the topic. They are given the opportunity to be inquisitive about the topic, so teachers can plan lessons based on the children's interests.

After the Knowledge Harvest, teachers share everything that will be covered in the unit with the children through the *Big Picture*. This allows children the opportunity to undertake their own research.

Following this, children will be involved in a range of different *Research and Recording Activities*, whereby they gain new information in their learning and understanding. This could be through maps, drama, artwork, presentations, animations, experiments, music and literacy activities.

Finally, all of the learning through the unit will end with an *Exit Point*. The children will aim to be experts in the topic at this point, able to summarise their knowledge, sharing this with

pupils, staff members and parents/carers.



