



William Austin Infant School

Curriculum Newsletter 6 March 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been so good to see some sunshine recently! The days are getting that little bit longer and Spring is definitely in the air! Let's hope the improved weather continues!

Attached to this letter is some information about the work your child will be doing at school this half-term. Curriculum plans do change sometimes, but we hope this information will be of interest to you.

Best Wishes, Mrs B Kang,
Headteacher



Lockdown Practise

In line with the school's other procedures that are practised regularly, we will be practising a Lockdown procedure either later this half term or at the start of the Summer term.

In the extremely rare event that a school needs to go into Lockdown, it is important that staff and children know exactly what to do, which is why this will be carried out as a precautionary measure. This procedure will only take a short time to complete, and children will be reassured throughout.

Knowledge Organisers and 'WOW' Moments

With the half termly curriculum newsletters such as this one, we always attach a separate newsletter and topic overview specific to your child's year group. We also include an additional Knowledge Organiser for each year Group.

Knowledge organisers are a summary of the key facts and vocabulary and essential knowledge that pupils need about a unit of work or a curriculum subject that will be studied during the course of each half-term.

We also showcase each year group's 'WOW' moments by attaching more photos from the topics that have been covered in each class, so that you are able to see the amazing learning taking place in school. Check out the Gallery on our website too!

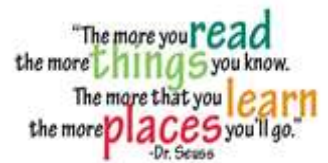


School Library

Reading is always a big priority in our school. We promote reading for fun and enjoyment, both at school and at home. All children now visit the school library and choose a book to take home.

These books remain the property of the school, and we ask that your child looks after their book sensibly and you ensure that younger siblings do not play with or damage them, as any damage will need to be paid for.

Please continue to support your child with reading at home and share bedtime stories with them too.



Year 1 Phonics Meeting

All Year 1 children in England take part in a Phonics Screening Check during the month of June.

There will be a meeting for parents and carers of our Year 1 children early next half term to explain what the Phonics Screening Check is, and how to support and help prepare your child for this check. More information will follow in due course.



Please share and discuss with your child at home.

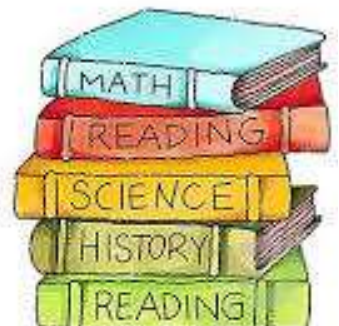
SCIENCE

DID YOU KNOW?

The earth has over 80,000 species of edible plants. We only eat about 30 varieties.

If you were an animal in the forest where would you build your home? By the lake? High in a tree? Why?

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INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

World Book Day

Thank you to everyone for making our World Book Day celebrations so successful. The children and staff had an enjoyable day and we were delighted to see so many children dressed up as their favourite book characters. They all had a fabulous time, with fun activities happening throughout the day!

A special thank you is extended to Miss Ruddle, our English Lead, for making World Book Day so magical for the children, and in particular, for arranging the amazing 'Pop-Up Book Shop' which ensured all of the children could choose a special World Book Day Book, right here in school!

A big thank you too, to all the parents who came in to join their child with the reading activities and storytime, it was lovely to see so many of you, and we hope you enjoyed yourselves!



Diary Dates

School Photographer visiting - Tuesday 10 March - All children to wear full school uniform.

Cinema Night - Tuesday 10 March - See pick-up information on your child's ticket.

Year 2 Museum Makers workshop at Wardown Park - Friday 13 March

Easter Egg Raffle - Week commencing Monday 16 March. Money raised will be donated to Keech

Red Nose Day 2026 - Friday 20 March - Non-uniform day, donations will go to Keech Hospice rather than the National Comic Relief appeal. More information to follow.

Easter Workshops Year 2 - Monday 23 March

Year R - Wednesday 25 March

Year 1 - Thursday 26 March

(More information on the Easter Workshops to follow next week)

Year 2 Roald Dahl Children's Gallery visit - Wednesday 25 March Owl Class, Kingfisher Class

Thursday 26 March Lark Class, Puffin Class

Eid Celebrations - Friday 27 March - Non-uniform day for children and a special lunchtime menu.

Easter Holiday School will close at the end of the afternoon on Friday 27 March 2026 and **re-open for children on Tuesday 14 April** Monday 13 April is a staff training day)



YEAR R WOW MOMENTS!



Buttercup Class enjoyed trying on the police uniform for our topic People Who Help Us.

Daisy Class have been learning how we stay safe on our screens.



Poppy Class have enjoyed Gymnastics in PE

Snowdrop Class enjoyed rolling bread dough to make their own delicious bread rolls to take home.



YEAR 1 WOW MOMENTS!



Beech Class has enjoyed looking at the weather in Spring and filling it in on their weather report.

Beech Class visited Oak Class one afternoon and we enjoyed doing some activities together.



Pine Class worked in groups to create art work showing the amazing things in our world for R.E.



Children in Willow Class enjoyed thinking of things that their magic blue balloon might do



YEAR 2 WOW MOMENTS!



Lark Class taking part in a live webinar during Storytelling week with author Annemarie Anang

Owl Class enjoyed learning about the special equipment used on a fire engine.



Puffin Class enjoyed creating a melody using the instruments in Music Class



Kingfisher Class enjoyed painting their Great Fire of London pictures thinking about shades and tints of colours through colour mixing.

