

# William Austin Infant School

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## Curriculum Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Accompanying 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.

Mrs. B Kang, Headteacher



### Google Classroom for Year 1 and Year 2

Year 1 and Year 2 children use Google Classroom for their weekly homework tasks. Your child's login details for Google Classroom are on a label attached to their Reading Record, either on the outside front or inside front cover.

Google Classroom can be accessed in a number of ways; on a computer or laptop, via the Google Classroom App which can be installed on smartphone and tablet devices, and even through the web browser on Smart TV's and the following games consoles: Xbox one, Xbox series S, Xbox series X, PlayStation 4, PS4 pro or PS5. Click on the link here go directly to the Home Learning section of the school website: <https://www.williamaustrininfants.co.uk/how-to-access-google-classroom/>

We do expect all children to complete the homework that is set for them. This work is planned carefully so that it reinforces and continues the learning that has taken place in school. Please contact your child's teacher via the class email address if you have any questions.

### 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 attach an additional Knowledge Organiser for each year group.

A Knowledge Organiser is a summary of essential information, including key facts and vocabulary, that enable pupils to better understand 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.

### Phonics Workshops for Parents of Year 1 Children

We are looking forward to inviting Year 1 parents into school to join a Phonics Workshop session in March. The exact date and more information will be sent out soon after our return from the half term break.

Children in Year 1 will sit the statutory National Phonics Screening Check in June, and this workshop is designed to give you all the information you need to support your child.

More information will follow nearer the time.



### Safer Internet Day 2026 - 10 February

Safer Internet Day 2026 Tuesday 10 February

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre  
[saferinternetday.org.uk](http://saferinternetday.org.uk)

The children will be taking part in Safer Internet Day 2026; this day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively.

This year's theme is 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'. In school the children will be completing different activities across the week about keeping safe online.

For more information about Safer Internet Day and Online Safety visit the school website: <https://www.williamaustrininfants.co.uk/online-safety/>

### World Book Day 2026

We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 5 March** in school. The day is designed to encourage children and adults to enjoy books and storytelling. Further information will follow after the February half-term.







# Year r WOW moments



**Buttercup Class enjoyed playing with the snow. It was very cold!!!**

**Daisy Class have fun doing their daily exercises every morning!**



**Poppy Class enjoyed decorating the tree in the home corner**



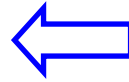
**Snowdrop Class enjoyed exploring the apparatus in P.E.**



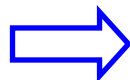
# Year 1 WOW Moments



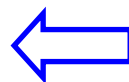
**Beech Class** enjoyed creating kindness and appreciation cards in RE.



**Willow Class** enjoyed eating their treats at the Christmas party



**Oak Class** enjoyed acting and dancing in a Perform class



**Pine Class** had a lovely morning at the Hat Factory when we went to watch The Three Bears before Christmas





# Year 2 WOW Moments



**Kingfisher Class** enjoyed exploring the suitability of different materials.

**Lark Class** used their senses to explore different fruits and then designed, made and evaluated their own fruit salads.



**Owl Class** had fun evaluating their amazing Science projects!



**Puffin Class** enjoyed looking at equal groups and unequal groups in Maths

