



## Willow Class Newsletter



### Welcome to Willow Class

Hello and welcome back. I hope that you had an enjoyable, but restful Christmas break, ready for the term ahead! Most of the information in this letter will be things that you may be familiar with already but, please have a read as some things have changed slightly. This newsletter contains all you need to know about our class work and what your child will need to bring with them to school.

### Staffing:

Class teacher: Miss O'Connor - Monday - Friday

Teaching assistant: Mrs Buckmaster - Monday - Friday

1:1 Teaching assistant: Miss Cherry - Monday - Friday

We are very excited to get back into learning and hope that the children are too.

If you would like to talk to me or any of us directly, please make an appointment to see us or email the school office [admin@hormead.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hormead.herts.sch.uk)

### Lates and Absences

Gates are open from 8:30am. The Register will be taken at 8:50am. Lates and absences must be reported to Mrs Sprosson at the office. She can be contacted on 01763 289201.

### Uniform

Please make sure correct uniform is worn at all times and **ensure it is named**. The uniform policy is on the school website. Unless it is Tuesday, the children are expected to come into school wearing their PE with their coloured house Tshirt.

### Website

The website will be updated fortnightly with snapshots of our learning so make sure you check in to see what we've been doing!

### Homework

Please make sure that the children have to opportunity to practice their weekly spelling words, as well as practice reading. Children are also encouraged to practice their times tables using TT Rockstars.

### Reading

Reading books will be sent home with your child and we endeavour to change them when they complete the book. The adults in class will check in with your child's reading through the term to check with their progress. Your child will be read with a teacher/ teaching assistant weekly. Please can you hear your child read daily and ensure you record it in their reading record.

### Numbots

Numbots log in details will be in reading records at the back. All details are the same as last term. Numbots is a website that will help your children to develop secure place value of numbers.

### Spellings

Your child will bring home a spelling list that will have all the spellings ready for the first half term. These will include common exception words and words featuring our spelling rules. Each week a 'Look, Cover, Write, Check' sheet will be sent home to help with practising and spellings will be tested every Friday.

### Forest School and Wellies

Our forest school slot is first thing on a Wednesday morning. Please ensure that children have a pair of wellies in school. On forest school days, please also ensure that they have a warm coat, hat and gloves.

### Water Bottle

Please ensure your child comes to school with a named water bottle.

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### School rules and values

Children will follow our 4 school rules:

**Be Ready - Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Truthful**

We will also discuss our school values and how it is important to follow these in school. **Love, Respect, Kindness, Aspiration, Resilience, Courage and Cooperation.** House points and/or value leaves will be used to celebrate children following these expectations.

### Class Timetable

	8:45 - 9:00	9:00 - 9:25	9:30 - 10:30		10.30 - 10.45	10.45-12:00		12.00 - 1.00	1:00-2:00	2:00-3:00	3.00 - 3.15
Mon	Handwriting	Collective Worship	Daily mile	English	Break time	Maths	Phonics	Lunch	Guided reading Decoding		History/ Geography
Tues	Handwriting	House Worship	Daily mile	English		Maths	Phonics		PE	Music/ICT	
Wed	Colourful Semantics	Singing Assembly	Daily mile	Forest School		RE	Phonics		Maths	English	
Thurs	Maths catch-up	Rev'd James Worship	Daily mile	PSHE		Maths	Phonics		Science	Guided reading Prosody	
Fri	Handwriting	Celebration Assembly	Daily mile	English		Maths	Phonics		Guided reading - Comprehension	Art/DT	Golden Time