

# CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

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Year One



Welcome to the Autumn 2 edition of the Year 1 Willow newsletter. You will find lots of information about the curriculum, how to help your child at home and any other notes. If you have any questions, please ask the class teacher.

Our current learning journey is: **Why do we have Bonfire Night?**

## Curriculum outline

**Reading:** This half term, we are continuing to use Read, Write Inc to learn sounds and blend them together to read decodable words. Some groups will also be reading nonsense words. They will also be sharing a selection of stories and giving our opinions on them.

**Writing:** This half term, children are writing poetry inspired by fireworks and our experiences of Bonfire Night. We will also be writing some descriptions based on the book Father Christmas as well as writing letters to Santa.

**Maths:** This half term's maths focus is subtraction and shape. Children will use equipment and pictorial representations to understand what it means to subtract from a whole. They will then focus on recognising and naming a variety of 2D and 3D shapes.

**Science:** The children will be investigating the properties of materials including whether they are waterproof, absorbent, transparent or opaque. They will also continue to find out about Autumn and what events happen within this season.

**Art:** Children will create paintings based on the work of Kostas Korovilas. To do this, children will explore how to mix primary colours to create secondary ones using powder paint.

**History:** Children will learn about Guy Fawkes and the Gun Powder Plot. They will sequence the events that led to the arrest and death of Guy Fawkes, plotting them on a timeline.

## Helping your child at home

To support your child at home, you could:

- Listen to them read each night and record this in their planner
- Support and encourage them to complete the set maths activity.
- Watch the phonic videos sent home each week for your child's colour group.
- Practise reading the real and nonsense words sent home.



## Notes

November	December
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> – Monster Ball (3.15 – 4.30) Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> – Flu Vaccination Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Children in Need day Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> – Stay and Maths (2.15pm) Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> – Pantomime	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> – Xmas Fayre (2.00 – 3.30) Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> – Xmas concert performance (2.00) Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> – Xmas concert performance (9.15) Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> – Santa's Grotto Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> – Christmas Dinner Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> – Christmas Party Day Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

