History

Year 1 and 2 are going to find out about the most famous ship - at the time the biggest ever built - the Titanic. Their job will be to work out how the sinking of the Titanic could possibly have happened, who might be to blame and then to discover how this sad event led to big improvements in safety at sea.

Although Reception may dip into some of the Titanic learning, they will learn about The Seaside and Under the Sea as part of their Understanding the World unit.

English

During this half term, Willow Class will continue to develop their phonics knowledge using the Read Write Inc scheme. The pupils will use this time to learn or revise speed sounds taught and use them in their reading colour book groups.
A separate English lesson will be taught using key quality texts such as 'The Poetry Train' and 'Samson's Titanic Journey'. The texts cover both fiction and non-fiction styles of writing with opportunities for creative and extended writing.
Letter Village for Year 1 and 2 will continue and, in addition, Year 2 will find lots of opportunities to work in Maple Class on their English, including grammar skills.

Maths

Willow Class will be using the White Rose maths scheme to develop their numeracy skills. Year 1 and 2 will focus on money, fractions, time, geometry and mass and capacity. Year 1 and 2 will use a short and snappy Mastery in Maths programme to boost their mental arithmetic and understanding of place value and number operations. Reception will focus on their growing knowledge of number and use Mastery in Number as their core programme. They will use White Rose lessons to learn about patterns, shapes and measures.

Science

The children will be learning about the plants. By the end of the unit, pupils will be able to: identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees; identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees and use their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions.

Music

In Music, we will learn explore rhythm patterns and express this vocally, through body percussion or instrumentation. Please contact the school office if you wish for your child/children to participate in additional piano and/or guitar lessons.

Relationships and Health Education (RHE)

Our RHE learning this half term is adapted for the needs of our pupils from the Discovery Education Programme. The focus this half term will be on Healthy Minds and Healthy Bodies: Our Amazing Body. Pupils will learn the correct scientific names for their private parts. The following half term will be spent on learning about changing and growing, including some transitional opportunities to meet with their new or current teacher.

As well as focusing on the Discovery Education Programme, Willow Class will continue to have additional sessions on the Zones of Regulation. This is a programme that will help all children to identify their levels of tolerance and how to build skills for self-regulation.

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Art

This term, Willow Class will vocally and visually respond to the work of artists who are inspire by flora and fauna and produce their own pieces inspired by this through different media.

Geography

Willow Class will link their learning from last term to explore a Seaside Study. We hope to complete a beach visit later on in the Summer Term. If you are interested in participating, please email the Willow Class email.

Computing

Willow Class will focus on digital writing, using a range of technology to support. They will then begin to learn about programming animations and learn about patience and how practice can make permanence!

RE

Our learning this term will focus on two lines of enquiry: 'Why is the Torah such a joy for the Jewish Community?' We will learn new vocabulary, including the words: Torah, rejoice and mezuzah.
'Why is learning good deeds important to Jewish families?' is our second enquiry. We will learn about how good deeds can spread across not only Jewish communities but a range of communities throughout our Country and the World.

We will continue to engage in daily worship whether as a whole school or as a class worship.

PE

PE will be taught by our coaches Matt and Caitlin or taught by Mrs Hillier. Willow Class will build on their coordination and gross motor skills.
PE lessons are always weather dependent so please pack a variety or clothing options e.g. shorts and jogging bottoms so pupils can feel comfortable.

EYFS

As well as diving into all the learning above, Reception will have their own focus: learning about the seaside, land, sea and sky and what lives under the sea.