

## Literacy

This term the focus for our literacy will be Ice Palace by Robert Swindells. It is another tale about a boy called Ivan (but not the same Ivan from last term), who travels to confront the evil Starjik and his wolves. With this as our focus we will be continuing to improve our use of expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials.

Whilst continuing to work on our descriptive writing we will also introduce some non-fiction text types this term. We will ultimately also be writing our own ending to the story using what we know about the characters to decide what we think should happen and then seeing how it compares to the actual ending.

## Numeracy

This term we will continue to consolidate formal methods of multiplication as well as revising formal methods in addition and subtraction. We will continue to work on our times tables knowledge as a vital tool in multiplication methods.

We will then move on to improving our understanding of shapes by learning how to find the area of rectilinear shapes.

Finally we will begin to look at revising fractions before learning how to add and subtract them.

## French

This term we will be learning about some French games and also the months of the year.

## Art/DT

This term we will be again be having art lessons with Sue and Kate. The initial focus will be on drawing landscapes using a range of methods, both chalk and sketching. We will be comparing the two media and seeing which we prefer as well as looking at some artists.

## PE/Sport

As we no longer have swimming we will have PE lessons with Jack from Superstars as well as

## Reflected

This term we will be continuing to improve our sewing skills and using this process to look at how we learn new things to help us in other areas of our learning.

## Computing

We will continue to improve of computer literacy skills to support our learning across the curriculum.

## Topic

Our topic this term is States of Matter. We will be learning all about what makes different things solids, liquids and gases. What is everything made from and how we might choose what to make something from.

We will also be learning about how substances change between these states including the processes involved in the water cycle.

We will also learn how some words we say everyday have slightly different specific meanings when used by scientists.

## R.E

Our big question this term is : "What does it mean to belong to a religion?" We will learn about this in the context of Sikhism including a trip to visit a local gurdwara.

We will learn about the outward things Sikhs do to demonstrate their faith, as well as what they believe about their gurus.

## Willow Class Year 4 Term 3



## Theme:- States of Matter

Trips and visitors: Sikh Gurdwara 21st January.

## Chess

Willow class is lucky enough to have a chess master coming in to teach everyone how to play.

Having learned how all the pieces move Chris is moving on to strategies and how to become better players.

Some children will have the opportunity to take part in a chess competition against children from all over the country.

## PSHE:

Our theme this term is 'dreams and goals.' In year 4 we will be learning about how to keep working towards our dreams and goals. We will be considering what it feels like and how we can deal if we are disappointed

We will also look at what we can do to persevere with new dreams and goals if we are.