



# WILLOWS NEWS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the weather starts to cool down, we are having a rise in the number of cases of colds and flus in the building. Please continue to ensure that your child comes to school with warm coats for outdoor play

In addition to this, if children are feeling cold in the classroom, we do allow them to wear their jackets indoors, if need be, however this does not replace the school uniform. Children will be questioned about their school jumpers and blazers if they ask to wear a jacket or sweat top yet are not wearing their jumpers or blazer. Please would you also ensure that your child is wearing black school shoes as coloured trainers are not part of the school uniform. If there is a problem regarding school uniform, please would you write a note and send it in with your child or put a note in the home-school link book and that will ensure that the adults in your child's class are informed.

Christmas starts at The Willows Academy the week after next, and already Mrs Platt and Mrs Hales-Owen are preparing for the Christmas theme, '**Twas the Night Before Christmas**.

Have a good weekend

Paul Gregory-Hunt (Head of School)

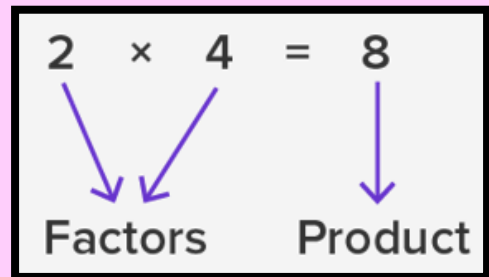
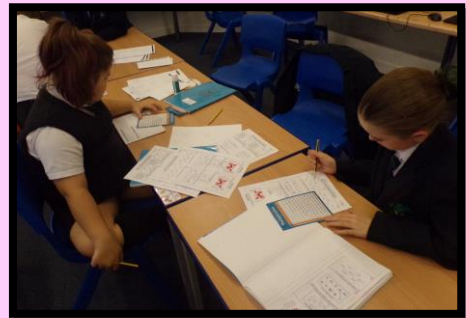
## Mathematics - Factors

In Beech class, we have been learning about **factors**.

We are working on our Timetable Rock Stars daily to learn all the timetables!

A factor is a **number that divides another number, leaving no remainder**.

In other words, if multiplying two whole numbers gives us a product, then the numbers we are multiplying are factors of the product because they are divisible by the product.



## Food Technology

Maple class went on their first outing to Tesco. We bought ingredients we would need to make **brownies**. We also bought **gingerbread men** and decorated them with icing and smarties.



## Art - Georgia O'Keefe

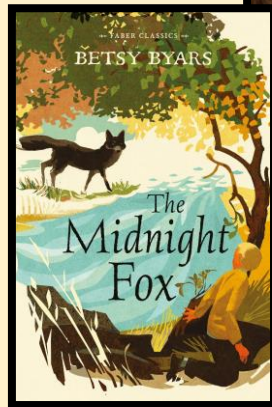


Ash class has been looking at the art created by **Georgia O'Keefe**. She loved painting poppies to show the wonder of flowers up close. Ash class have been recreating some of her famous work.



## Literacy – Black Fox

Oak class has been researching information about Black Foxes, as part of their Literacy book **“The Midnight Fox”**. All pupils created fact files about Black Foxes, which helped them learn and remember specific information.



## IPC - History - Mammoths



Pine class has been investigating **mammoths** as part of their history lesson this week.

Did you know that mammoths used their very long tusks to dig under the snow to find grass to eat and to break ice so that they could drink water trapped underneath?

## IPC - Odds Farm

Elm enjoyed feeding and touching animals with care at Odds Farm.

We had a really good day!



## Term Dates 2022/2023

Autumn Term	
First Day of Term (Staff Training Days)	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
Inset Days (Staff Only)	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
First Day of Term (for students)	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
Half Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 - Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
Last Day of Term	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
	1:30pm Early Finish
School Holiday Dates	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 – Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2023

WORD  
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WEEK

**meagre**

few, small or thin

e.g. She had a meagre amount of bread to eat.



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