



WILLOWS NEWS



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have enjoyed a settled and positive week at The Willows, and it has been wonderful to see such strong engagement and enthusiasm for learning during our recent learning walks. The children's focus and curiosity have been a real highlight, and it is encouraging to see their energy directed so positively towards their work.

As we move closer to the end of term, there is still much to be accomplished before we fully embrace the festive season. For now, we are gently containing the Christmas spirit and excitement, ensuring that we remain learning focused.

We are also delighted to share that The Willows has received a kind and generous donation of £250, which will go towards sponsoring Christmas entertainment for the children. This thoughtful contribution from The Rotary Club will help make the festive period extra special.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Warm wishes,

The Willows

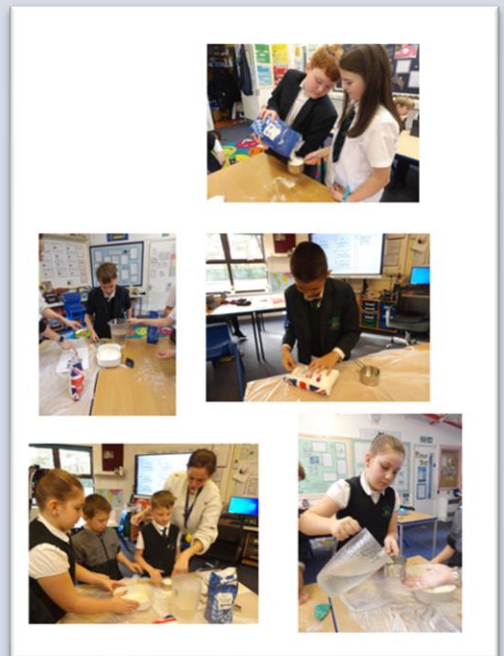
Ash- Measuring

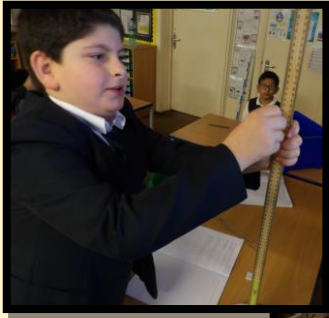
Ash have enjoyed baking their salt dough cookies ready to paint.

During maths we measured out the ingredients.

For our art lesson we will be painting their shapes and creations, using cool colours which we have been looking at and using.

These creative salt dough stars and shapes will be sent home to be enjoyed.





Lime Class – IPC

This week, we continued working on our unit – Sound.

Lime class looked at volume and took part in an investigation to determine whether volume is affected by how far an object travels.

Oak- Physical Education

Oak this week for our football PE lesson, focused on dribbling, emphasizing on keeping the ball close while moving, changing direction with control, and outwitting opponents.



Chestnut Class – Science

In Science, Chestnut Class have previously learnt that humans are vertebrates (they have a spine) and have an endoskeleton (their skeleton is on the inside).

This week it was time to explore the bones that make up human skeleton.

First, we assembled the human skeleton and then labelled all the major bones.

Did you know a baby human is born with more bones than an adult? Some of the bones fuse together as they grow up.

Did you know the smallest bone in the human body is in the ear?



Elm- Materials

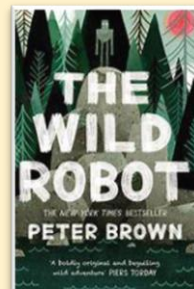
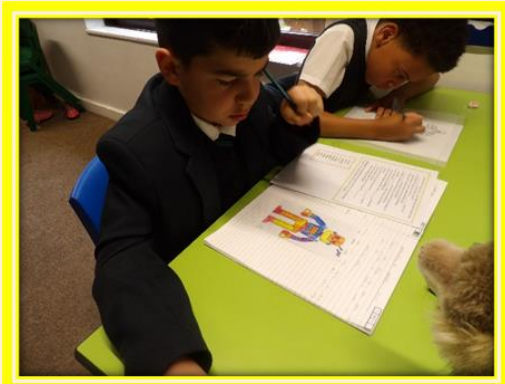
This week in Elm room the children learned about different materials and went out as a group to collect to their playground to collect objects. They then discussed which were man-made and which were natural. They took turns to speak in front of the class to discuss the name of the object, what it was made of and if it was natural or man-made.



Pine- English

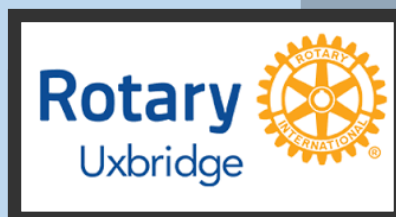
This week, Pine class focused on designing their own robots and using adverbs to describe what they can do.

Did you know that the term "robot" was first used in a 1920 play by Czech writer Karel Čapek, and it comes from the Czech word "[robota](#)," which means "forced labour".

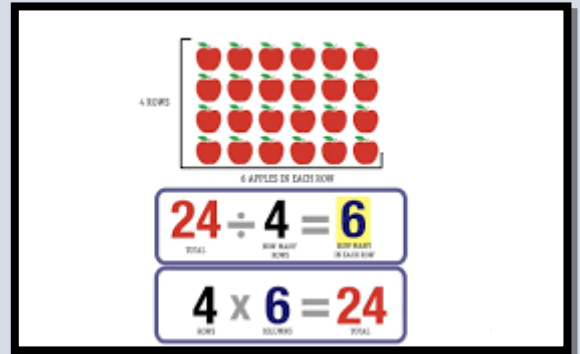
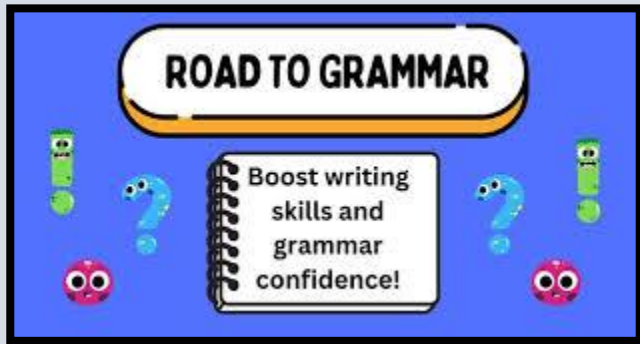




We are pleased to let you know that the Uxbridge Rotary Club has again agreed to make a donation of £250 to The Willows School Academy Trust to sponsor Christmas entertainment for our pupils.

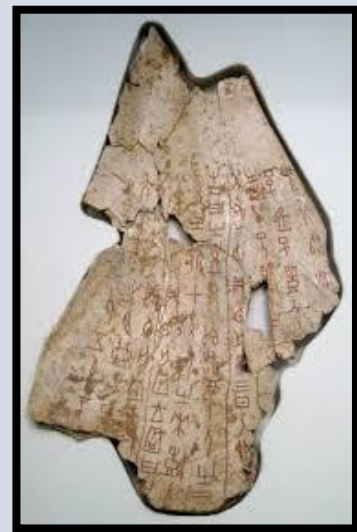
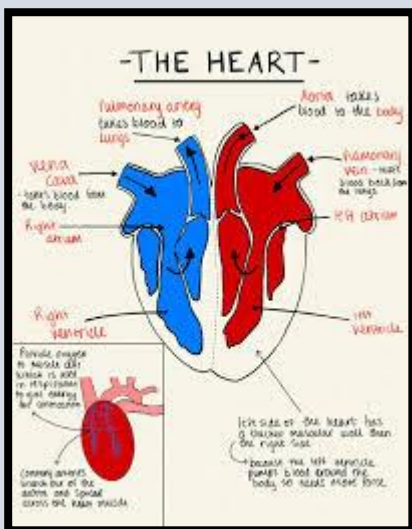


Beech - Weekly Notice



We have had an amazing week in Beech class this week. In English we have looked at improving our grammar and looking at the SATS questions that will come up. ION maths we continued with our mathematical flexibility and being able to divide and multiply in the same question.

In Science we have continued our research of the heart and looked at the different blood vessels and their jobs. In history we looked further into ancient Chinese 'oracle bones' and writing ancient Mandarin. In PE we have been swimming this week and continued our flexibility in Yoga. Overall an amazing week!



Maple-Healthy Eating

Maple Class enjoyed a delicious, healthy breakfast as part of our IPC topic on humans and the importance of eating well to keep our bodies strong and our brains healthy. The children loved their porridge with lots of berries, and it was lovely to share a “Maple breakfast” together as the classroom family we are.



Hazel- Understanding the world around us

This week Hazel class made their own bird feeders as part of their learning about birds and their habitats.



Autumn Term

First Day of Term (Staff Training Days)	Monday 1 st September 2025
INSET Days (Staff Only)	Monday 1 st September 2025 Tuesday 2 nd September 2025 Tuesday 30 th September 2025 Monday 3 rd November 2025
First Day of Term (for students)	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025
Half Term	Monday 27 th October 2025 - Friday 31 st October 2025
Last Day of Term	Friday 19 th December 2025 1pm Early Finish
School Holiday Dates	Monday 22 nd December 2025 – Friday 2 nd January 2026

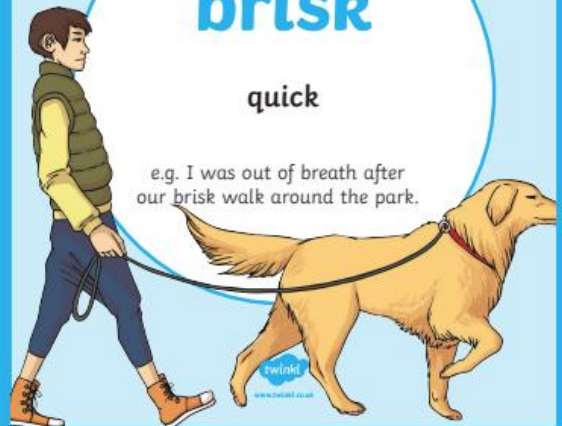


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our brisk walk around the park.



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