



# PURPLE OAKS ACADEMY



Welcome to Willow Class  
Summer 2 Newsletter

## English

In English this half term, we will focus on the well-known story 'The very hungry caterpillar' by Eric Carle. As part of our time looking at stories from other cultures, we will focus on 'Anna Hibiscus' by Atinuke. We will finish the term with another book full of repetition and alliteration called 'The train ride' written by June Crebbin. We will also continue with our daily phonics sessions.

## Maths

This half term we will be focusing on number, addition, subtraction, properties of shape, multiplication, dividing, fractions and time. We will be using a variety of Maths apparatus to support the children; Numicon, cubes, number lines and 100 squares. We will continue to use PECS (Picture, exchange, communication system) to choose number songs. The children will continue to use the song boards we are making to take away objects linked to the song.

## Science

In science, we will be 'Plant detectives!' Children will be exploring and investigating the vast range of plants all around them. They will also be focusing on finding out the words for the different parts of the plants as well as what their role is.

## Life Skills

Willow, Birch and Cedar class will continue with a rotating programme over the course of this half term. Children will have the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities; 'Out and about', cooking and music/art sessions.

## Topic

Our topic this term is 'Where shall I go on holiday?' This will support us in recapping with our previous work on seas continents. The children will also be finding out about different types of holidays, transportation, names of countries and weather.

## Art/DT

This term the children will be producing a 'beach' scene linked to our topic and the exciting visit to the beach.

## **PE**

PE lessons will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please ensure students have their named kit in school on these days. If your child wears earrings please make sure they are removed on these days.

### **Meet the team!**

Mrs Phillips – Monday-Wednesday

Mrs Manners – Thursday and Friday

Supported by Mrs Barnes, Miss Green and  
Mrs Raybould.

### **Dates for your diary!**

Kidsout to Wicksteed: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Hunstanton Beach visit: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Sports Afternoon: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Last day of term: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July