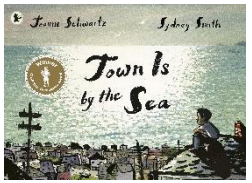


Willow Class Autumn Term 2 2026



Topic – Natural Resources

The future of our planet, climate change and protecting our natural resources is very much in the news. We will be answering the questions 'What are our natural resources and why are they important?' this term. We will look at the resources that can be found in and around the UK, before looking more widely across the world. We will think about what happens if they run out and we will try to imagine a world that could look very different for us as adults and our children if sea levels rise and the world continues to get hotter.

English (Literacy)

This term, our writing will be inspired by two picture books. Town is By the Sea by Joanne Schwartz follows a young boy living in a coastal mining town and the dangerous work of his father, a coal miner. The Dam by David Almond tells the story of a father and daughter who return to a valley before it is flooded to make way for a reservoir.

In SPAG, we will look at word classes and make sure we understand all of the key components of a sentence so that we can ensure we are putting them in to our writing. We will continue to use Superhero Spelling to look at spelling patterns in school. Each week we will practise different skills to understand texts and use our new-found knowledge to answer questions.

Science

We will build on the work we did lower down the school as we continue to investigate light. We will explore the way light behaves, think about light sources, reflection and shadows.

We will look at how light travels and understand how that impacts how we see things whilst we also consider how objects look bent in water. Is it really a trick of the eye?

Maths

We will be working with fractions this term. We will revise previous years learning before moving on to working to achieve the Year 6 objectives. We will also cover a unit on measures, including metric and imperial measures.

We will continue to use Times Tables Rockstars for Maths homework.

Design Technology

Cooking and Nutrition- 'Come dine with me'

We will be looking at complimentary flavours and how these are used in recipes. We will focus on three key ingredients that could be used as a basis for a meal and follow a recipe. Using seasonal apples, we will make a dessert, a traditional family favourite! Yum!

PE

We will be continuing our Forest School sessions on Friday afternoons until Christmas. We will need to dress appropriately for the Autumnal weather! We will also have a PE session on Monday afternoons.

RE

How and why do Christians follow the example of Jesus? Willow class will learn how Christians see that Jesus' teachings help people to deal with everyday life.

PSHE

What does it mean to stand up for myself and others? Willow class will consider how we connect with others.

French

We will be learning to talk about pets. We will learn the name of 8 common pet varieties and the appropriate determiner (un or une). We will then learn how to ask if someone has a pet and how to respond to that question.

Computing

We will be exploring AI and its potential to fill human roles.