













Willow Class Curriculum Overview 2023-2024

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	 Me and My Community	 Autumn Sparkle and Shine	 Once Upon a Time Winter Wonderland	 Ready, Steady Grow Spring	 Puddle Long Ago	 Animal Safari Minibeasts
Core Texts	Once There Were Giants Martin Waddell Lost and Found Oliver Jeffers The Rainbow Fish Marcus Pfister Emergency Margaret May	Pumpkin Soup Helen Cooper The Little Red Hen Leaf Man Lois Ehlert Cake Sue Hendra Kipper's Birthday by Mick Inkpen Diwali Non Fiction Text The Christmas Story	Cinderella Goldilocks and The Three Bears The Gingerbread Man The Gruffalo's Child Julia Donaldson Winter Poems	The Gigantic Turnip Aleksei Tolstoy Jasper's Beanstalk Nick Butterworth Click Clack Moo Doreen Cronin Rosie's Walk Pat Hutchins Farmer Duck Martin Waddell	The Colour Monster Anna Llenas Dogger Shirley Hughes The Baby's catalogue Janet & Allan Ahlberg. Peepo! Janet & Allan Ahlberg Oi Frog Kes Gray Information texts about life in the past	Dear Zoo Rod Campbell The Very Hungry Caterpillar Eric Carle Mad about Minibeasts Giles Andreae Information texts about Rainforest Animals
Enrichment Opportunities	Stay and Play settling sessions Visits from People who help us Walk around our Local Area Harvest Festival	Nursery Rhyme Week/ Dress Up Autumn Walk in our local area Making bread Visit to the Theatre Royal Nativity Performance Christmas Jumper/Dinner Day Christmas Service at the Church	Ice Experiments Stay and Play with parents - Storytelling Winter walk in local area Making Gingerbread Puppet making Chinese New Year Parade	Visit to local Farm shop Visit to Farm Tadpoles Growing seeds Vegetable Patch World Book Day Easter egg hunt Easter service at the Church	Visit from a parent and baby Summer walk in the local area Stay and Play with parents - Our History National Storytelling Week Visit to local church	Visit to local zoo Minibeast Hunt Explore different pets Visit from a vet Animal walk around our local area

Communication and Language	Communication and Language is developed throughout the year through high quality interactions, daily group discussions, playing together, circle times, stories, singing, role play and talk partners.					
	Talk Focus to include Friends Families Home People who Help Us	Talk Focus to include Fireworks Birthdays Diwali Nursery Rhyme Week	Talk Focus to include Winter clothes Story Characters Traditional tales Retelling stories	Talk Focus to include Favourite foods Healthy Foods Growing plants Retelling stories	Talk Focus to include Babies How we have changed Our parents and grandparents	Talk Focus to include Pets Favourite Animals Stories from other cultures
Personal. Social and Emotional Development	Children develop their personal, social and emotional skills throughout the year through daily interactions and adult modelling, Weekly Jigsaw lessons, circle times, stories, turn taking games.					
	Our School Community Class Charter My Family People Who Help Us	Keeping safe Similarities and Differences Celebrations	Ruler for the day Team work Listening games	Ways that we keep healthy. Exercise Looking after our teeth	Family Tree Family Celebrations Changes	Places that are special to us Team work
	Jigsaw Being Me in My World 	Jigsaw Celebrating Differences 	Jigsaw Dreams and Goals 	Jigsaw Healthy Me 	Jigsaw Changing Me 	Jigsaw Relationships 
Physical Development	Children improve their gross and fine motor skills daily by engaging in different Finger Gym Activities (threading, cutting, weaving, playdough), mark making, construction, drawing, writing, pencil control activities, wheeled toys, negotiating space, balls, bean bags, skipping ropes.					
	Fundamental Movements Games	Fundamental Movements Dance	Games Gymnastics	Gymnastics Dance	Dance Fundamental Athletics	Fundamental Athletics Striking and Fielding
Read, Write Inc Literacy	Children develop their early reading and writing skills through daily RWI lessons that begin as soon as the children start school. Each week is launched with a book linked to the class topic and new vocabulary is introduced and used. Children explore new texts and write for different purposes in English sessions and writing is encouraged in all of the learning areas.					

	<p>Learning Speed Set One sounds and how to write them</p> <p>m a s d t I n p g o c k u b f e l h r j v y w z x</p> <p>Reading and Writing CVC words</p>	<p>Learning Set One Special Friends</p> <p>sh th ch qu ng nk ck</p> <p>Reading and writing captions Ditties</p>	<p>Recapping Speed sounds Set One</p> <p>Reading and Writing simple sentences Red Story Books</p>	<p>Learning Speed Set Two sounds and how to write them</p> <p>ay ee igh ow oo oo ar or air ir ou oy</p> <p>Reading and Writing words containing these sounds Green and Purple Storybooks</p>		
Mathematics Power Maths	<p>Children develop their early mathematical skills through daily activities that include number songs and rhymes, promotion of mathematical vocabulary in the classroom, continuous provision activities and maths resources readily available for child exploration. Maths lessons take place four times a week using Power Maths</p>					
	<p>Counting to 5 Numbers to 5 Comparing groups within 5</p>	<p>One more/One less 2D and 3D shape Number bonds within 5</p>	<p>Numbers to 10 Comparing numbers within 10 Addition to 10</p>	<p>Measures Number bonds to 10 Subtraction Exploring patterns</p>	<p>Counting on and counting back Numbers to 20 Doubling and halving Odds and evens</p>	<p>Shape Measures Sorting Time</p>
Understanding The World	<p>Understanding the World is taught through our Topics that are guided by Cornerstones Planning. The children explore two topics each half term. The topics are driven through good quality texts and children are introduced to rich topic based vocabulary.</p>					
	<p>People who are special to us, our family and friends Our home and our school Our community Map Making. People who help us. Looking after our teeth Keeping healthy ICT - Click and Drag</p>	<p>Signs of Autumn Hibernating animals Woodland animals Fireworks Diwali Hannukah Christmas around the world Making bread ICT - 2Paint</p>	<p>Traditional Stories and settings Castles Kings and Queens Old clothes and new Where is it always cold? Exploring Ice Making snow Signs of Winter ICT - Cameras</p>	<p>What plants need to grow Exploring seeds Fruits and vegetables Where food comes from Farm Animals Life cycles Signs of Spring Weather ICT - Programmable Toys</p>	<p>Weather Simple Timelines Babies How we have changed since we were a baby. My family tree Objects from the past Now and Then ICT - 2Paint Progression</p>	<p>Mammals, reptiles and birds Animal habitats Deserts, Rainforests and the Arctic Animals camouflage Caring for our environment Minibeasts ICT - Using Word</p>

Science Units	People Who Help Us	Celebrations	Traditional Tales	Growing Keeping Healthy	All About Me	Animals and Minibeasts
-Expressive Arts and Design						
	Self portraits College faces Colour mixing Salt dough Music -Singing familiar rhymes Role Play Area - House	Finger printing Leaf Printing Colour mixing Clay hedgehogs Christmas crafts Music - Traditional rhymes Nativity Performance Role Play Area - Shop	Painting Mask Making Building bridges Music - Songs and Rhymes linked to traditional stories Charanga Unit 2: My Stories Role Play Area - castle	Fruit and vegetable printing Seed shakers Junk Modelling tractors Easter crafts Charanga Unit 3: Everyone Role play farm shop	Family paintings Observational drawings Peg dolls Clay tiles Music: Lullabies and Nursery Rhymes Charanga Unit 4: Our World Role Play toy hospital	Animal paintings Camouflage patterns Animal collage Outdoor Art Music Charanga: Big Bear Funk! Walking through the Jungle Role play minibeast den