



Bournebrook

Church of England Primary School

Elm Class – Spring 2 Newsletter 2026

What's happening in Willow Class this half term?

<p>Maths</p>	<p>Year 2 Counting, reading and writing numbers to 50 Understanding tens and ones Comparing and ordering numbers within 50 Measuring and comparing length and height Measuring and comparing mass and volume, using language such as heavier, lighter, full, nearly full and empty Solving simple practical problems involving number and measurement</p>	<p>Year 2 Collecting and organising data using pictograms, tally charts and block diagrams Measuring and comparing length and height using metres and centimetres Measuring and comparing mass using kilograms and grams Measuring and comparing capacity using litres and millilitres Reading and comparing temperature in degrees Celsius (°C) Solving practical problems involving measurement and data</p>
<p>English</p>	<p>This half term, we will be reading <i>How to Grow a Unicorn</i> by Rachel Morrisroe. The children will be exploring the story and using it as inspiration to write their own clear instructions on how to grow a unicorn. We will then follow our own instructions step-by-step to “grow” a unicorn in class, bringing our writing to life in a fun and practical way. After this, the children will move on to writing their own poems, focusing on using rhyming words and exciting adjectives to make their ideas imaginative and descriptive.</p>	
<p>Geography</p> <p>D&T / Art</p>	<p>Year 1 Writing in full sentences using correct punctuation Writing and planning instructions independently</p>	<p>Year 2 Writing and planning instructions independently Use co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions. Identify different sentence types – statements, questions, exclamations and commands.</p>
<p>Science</p>	<p>Our World Our geography focus this term will be on map skills and knowledge of our world. We will look at the continents of the world and key countries and places found there. We will also find out about the different climates, cultures and foods within them. We will use simple keys, symbols and compass directions to locate places on a map.</p> <p>In Art and D&T we will also be creating fruit kebabs and creating art works inspired by the works of Giuseppe Arcimboldo.</p> <p>Animals, including Humans. We will be carrying out an investigation to find out what pets eat. We will also find out about what different types of animals eat and why? Finally, we will be considering why exercise is important to keep our bodies healthy. We will also investigate the effects of exercise on our bodies.</p>	

<p>Computing</p> <p>RE</p> <p>Music</p>	<p>In Computing, we will be learning how to keep ourselves safe online and know to keep personal information private. We shall consider who we can go to if we feel unsafe.</p> <p>Why does Easter matter to Christians? We will be finding out about and retelling stories of Holy Week and Easter. We will find out about how Christians believe Jesus rose again, giving people hope of a new life and salvation.</p> <p>The Dragon Song This unit is a song about kindness, respect, friendship, acceptance and happiness. Using their imagination and working together as a class, the children will create their own performance of this song.</p>
<p>PSHE</p>	<p>Healthy Me In PSHE, we will be thinking about how we can keep healthy. We will be thinking about making healthy choices, balanced diets, physical activities and things that make us feel relaxed. We will also look at how medicines can help to make us better and how important it is to use them safely.</p>

Home Learning / Learning Opportunities

To support our geography work you could explore different types of maps and locate places of the world. You could look at packaging labels to find out where your food has come from.

Reading – children will be heard read in school both individually and as part of our guided reading sessions. Please continue to support your child with their reading at home three times a week.

Dates to Remember

Homework will be sent out on a Tuesday via Purple Mash. The children will be given a list of spellings to learn each week. These will be tested on a Monday.

Reading – please hear your child read at least three times a week. Children are given new books every Monday, Year 2 will be able to take them home on Monday and return on Monday. Year 1 children will be able to take them home on a Wednesday and return them on Monday.

Library – books will be changed each Friday. Children will choose a book each week to bring home. We would encourage them to share and discuss this book with an adult.

PE days are on Tuesday and Wednesdays.