

WILLOW CLASS AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

The School Website

We will be updating the class page on our school website regularly so please keep an eye on both to see what we are up to!

Swimming and PE

We are super excited to be swimming at Garstang this year on a **Friday afternoon**. Children will need to come to school with a swimming kit which includes their swimming costume / shorts, towel and a swimming cap (for those with hair below their ears).

Our PE day this year is a **Friday**. Please make sure your child comes to school in full PE kit on this day. Please see the school website if you are unsure of what our PE kit should look like.

Please make sure earrings are removed for PE and Swimming. Staff cannot remove them for your children.

Home Learning

We will set home learning tasks on a **Friday** to be returned the following **Wednesday**. Home learning will consist of one main task and children may also receive personalised home learning tasks. Our main task will focus on one subject area and will revisit and build on learning from the week. Personalised home learning will provide children with some more independent practice of skills they have found tricky or will give them opportunity to challenge themselves further. Personalised challenges may not be weekly and will be set based on the needs of each child as and when they require it.

Reading

We are looking forward to giving children the opportunity to explore a range of texts in class and at home. Alongside their Book Buddy (a mini friend to read aloud to whenever they can!), we will also be setting some challenges throughout the year to excite children about reading.

We ask that you listen to your child read aloud at **least three times a week** and encourage them to read aloud to their book buddy **daily**. Please fill in your child's reading record whenever you listen to your child read.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask!

Many thanks, Mrs Cole.