

## Our Topic

### Myself and My Changing World

For the first few weeks of this term our main priority is to get to know your child and settle them in. We will then be concentrating on ourselves and the world we live in. Our big question this term is: **Where does our food come from?** To start this off, we are hoping to visit a local farm in the village. Once confirmed, we will let you know the details. We will also be learning about Harvest all this term and then celebrating in the Village Church on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> October. More details will follow. In support of our topic, the children will be learning to re-tell the story of "The Little Red Hen."



## Willow Class

### Termly Newsletter

### Term 1 2021

**Welcome to Willow Class!**  
**We are looking forward to getting to know your child and you. Willow will start at 8:50 and end at 15:10. For both morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up, please wait in the carpark adjacent to the main school building.**

## Contacting Us

Ms. Jaeger and Mrs Jenkinson are the teachers in Willow Class. Ms. Jaeger works in Willow Class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays; while Mrs Jenkinson works on Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs. Mundy is the full-time class Teaching Assistant and helps us every day! We appreciate that things crop up from time to time without any warning and that you may need to contact us as soon as possible. The best way to do so is to email us. Here are our email addresses [sjaeger@stmichaelspri.co.uk](mailto:sjaeger@stmichaelspri.co.uk) [sjenkinson@stmichaelspri.co.uk](mailto:sjenkinson@stmichaelspri.co.uk)

The mornings can be a tricky time to try and catch us as we need to start our teaching day promptly. Afterschool is better if you have a quick question. If you want to arrange a meeting with us, please get in touch with us on the email addresses above or through the school office.

## Reading

In Willow Class, reading takes place many times every day. Our classroom is set up in a very child friendly way that encourages them to read and make connections to text within the environment. We also have a class library that children can independently access anytime during the day. Furthermore, we will be teaching daily, whole-class phonics lessons, and reading stories to your child every day. As the school year progresses and they increase and improve their reading skills, they will be lent reading-scheme books to take home and read with you. We will keep you informed of their reading progress and what you can do to help them.

## Housekeeping

At the present time, your child does not need a bookbag or PE kit in school. If you have already bought them, do not worry because they will need them later in the school year. However, **what they do need now, is a spare change of clothes** (including underpants and socks) in case they get wet or have an accident. As we go outside in all weathers, your child will need a labelled pair of **wellie boots and waterproofs**. Please see the teacher if you have any questions. On Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> September, the school will be hosting an informative 'Curriculum Meeting' for all classes where you will be able to ask questions and come in person to see the classroom where your children learn. More details will follow soon.