

Willow Class Spring Term 1 2023

This term I have had the wonderful pleasure to get to know Willow Class. Our topic was “A Toy Story” and we have been thinking about our big question – Have toys changed over time?



We have been enjoying reading our class stories including ‘Kipper’s Toy Box’, with our very own Kipper the dog in the classroom and we made our ‘Sock things’. We read ‘The Naughty Bus’ and he certainly was naughty in our classroom, we designed and made our own buses and we have loved ‘Toys in Space’. We have enjoyed retelling stories using our story maps and writing super character descriptions using adjectives.

In Maths, Year 1 have been exploring numbers to 50, looking at the value of each digit in a 2-digit number, learning to count in 2’s, 5’s and 10’s to count groups more quickly. They have also been learning how equal groups are important when doubling and creating groups for repeated addition and sharing. There were lots of things to talk about when we explored arrays.

Reception have been exploring numbers up to and including 8, it’s amazing how you can spot numbers anywhere, not just as a numeral. They have been exploring repeating patterns using lots of different objects and are experts at comparing length.



In science we have been learning about, labelling and experimenting with lots of different materials. We had great fun exploring which materials were waterproof, transparent and bendy! History has been fabulous fun, exploring toys old and new and comparing what materials toys were made from in the past.



It has been an incredible half-term, celebrating Chinese New year, learning about what it is like to be Jewish, trying haggis and creating our own toy shop and space station role play areas!

Next term we will be focusing on music and movement with our topic 'Beats and boogies' and thinking about how music can make us feel? It's going to be exciting listening to lots of different types of music!