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Dear parents,

We would like to welcome back Willow class for the start of the Spring term and a very happy new year to you all. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas.

We have exciting Literacy topics this term. Firstly, we will be learning about traditional tales with a twist. The children will read and learn about traditional fairy tales followed by those with a twist. They will finish the topic by writing a twisted fairy tale of their own. Soon after the half term break we will be looking at tales from different cultures.

In maths we will be exploring calculation strategies, learning about fractions, time, shape, weight, graphs, multiplication and division. The children will also complete Rockstars Times tables daily to help them learn the times tables.

Reading books will continue to be changed on a Monday and Friday and book bags need to be brought to school daily. Please could I remind you that your child should use book bags only and not rucksacks or other large bags, as we have limited room for these? Also please sign and feel free to write a comment about your child's reading at home, so that we know when a reading book is ready to be changed. Your child will be heard read other books twice a week as part of guided reading group work. We will continue to put the weekly focus for this in their reading record books for your information.

Spellings will still be given on a Monday to practice and learn to write and these will be tested in a weekly spelling test on a Friday. Spelling books also need to be kept in your child's book bag, as they will be used for the test on a Friday and sent back home for practice every Monday.

We will continue to remind the children daily to hang coats and jumpers on pegs and to collect them before they go home.

Please feel free to speak to me or Mrs Garlick if you need to discuss anything. We hope your child has an enjoyable Spring term in Willow Class.

Thank you.

Jo Jeffery
(Class teacher)

Sam Garlick
(Teaching assistant)