



### Science

For the first half of this term the pupils will be learning about animals and their habitats, with a focus on classification of animals and the theories behind it.

We will then move onto the human body, with a particular focus on the respiratory system and the effect of substances on the body.

### French

This term in French, the children will start to learn the alphabet in French. The theme for the term will be "Notre école" (Our school). Through this topic, the children will learn to describe a route to school using simple direction, the names of the different place in town and simple directions. They will also be encouraged to use the phrase "il y a..." (There is /there are).

### History

Within the first half term the pupils will be finishing their work on William Shakespeare, and crime and punishment across three periods of history, developing an understanding of chronology and change.

The pupils will then have the chance to explore the history of WW2, with a particular focus on the Battle of Britain and the resilience of people in everyday life.

### Books/Stories/Poems:

The pupils will be reading 'Wonder' as a class reader. They will also have the opportunity to read a selection of creation stories, linked to RE and Literacy.

Within guided reading the pupils will learn key comprehension skills and how to apply them. They will also read a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts↑

**SUMMER 1 – SATS AND  
SHOCKING  
SHAKESPEARE  
SUMMER 2 – WOEFUL  
WORLD WAR 2  
Willow Class  
Summer Term  
2017**

### Art/DT

The pupils will create their own Blitz art, focussing on the night images of Blitzed London.

In DT they will finish their puppet theatre. They will then create a rationing menu, focussed on savoury dishes.

### English

Writing: The children will have the chance to finish their work on Macbeth, with a particular focus on the narrative. We will then move onto 'Goodnight Mr Tom', focussing on diary writing and recounts from an evacuees perspective.

### Speaking and Listening

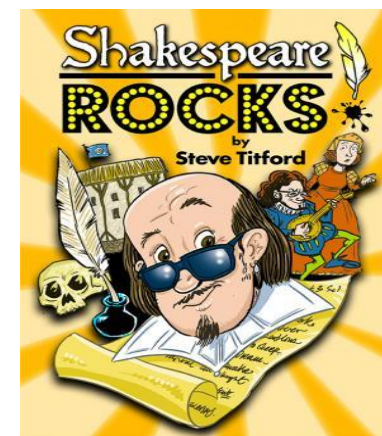
The pupils will be invited to audition for and take part in our exciting production of Shakespeare Rocks!

Reading: Individual, Fiction & non-fiction, Whole class RIC (Retrieve, Interpret, Choice Reading Lessons), comprehension skills.

### Mathematics

SATs revision

- recapping the key points of the National Curriculum and test practice.  
Place value,  
Calculation,  
fractions, decimals  
and percentages.



R.E. - the pupils will identify features of the Gospel, its context and the connections between the Gospel and Jesus' 'good news'. They will also take part in preparation for the Eucharist service.

P.E. - The pupils will be taking part in athletics (in preparation for Sports day), rounders and cricket.

Computing - During this term the children will be writing code for their own games using Scratch and Kodu. The children will be identifying errors and ensuring the algorithms are correct. In addition to this the children will be making short films and exploring e-safety.

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you had an excellent Easter and are ready for our final term at Petworth Primary. We will start this half term with a huge final push towards the SATs. The children have worked exceptionally hard this year and are ready to take these tests. We will endeavour to make this process calm and stress free, ensuring the pupils have all the skills necessary to take these papers.

For the second half of the term we will begin practising for our end of year production of 'Shakespeare Rocks'. If you have any time to help set building, costume creating or helping out with practices please let me know.

Willow PE will now be on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. Please can the children keep their PE kits in school everyday as we will try and take advantage of the good weather.

Homework will be set on Wednesdays and given in on Tuesdays. Four pieces of homework will be set each week, designed to take 20 minutes each. These will include spellings, reading, writing and maths, although the children can choose to go on Mathletics and Lexia, in place of their reading and maths. Your child will also have their chosen times table to learn each week. Please could you remind them of the importance of handing homework in on time. We have limited times for marking and if it is not in on time it will not be possible to mark it before the next set is given out. There will of course be the odd time when homework is forgotten or not finished for genuine reasons - please tell your child to speak to me about it and I will help them to catch up.

We will be continuing to encourage the children to read frequently and watch this space for our new reading incentive scheme.

Spellings will follow the National Curriculum patterns along with two words from the non-negotiable list. Tables will be tested on Monday and spellings tested on Tuesday.

Our morning routine is that the pupils begin to arrive at 8.30 on the playground. They will then be brought into the school, ready to start lessons. Each day there will be an activity for the pupils to complete, which will include: reading, mathematics, times tables and handwriting.

If you ever need to contact me you can catch me at the school gate every day or you can ring the office and make an appointment.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Laura Sandon-Webb

