

Willow Brook School Curriculum Themed Overview 2023 to 2024

| | Autumn 1 (History focused) 6 weeks | Autumn 2 7 weeks | Spring 1 (Geography focused) 5 weeks | Spring 2 6 weeks | Summer 1 (Science/outdoor learning focused) 6 weeks | Summer 2 8 weeks |
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| Year 1 | The Golden Years History within living memory. Family life, work and play over the last 50 years | Performance Related whole school topic 1001 Arabian Nights A non-European society in contrasts with British history – early Islamic civilization - a study of Baghdad c. AD 900. The stories of Scheherazade. | Forth, Tyne, Dogger The British Isles and its weather | Whole School Science/STEM based on British Science Week Time – Back to the Future | Life on the Ocean Waves Plant and animal life in earth's seas and oceans | Whole school shared learning: Who let the Gods Out Ancient Greece – a study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world based on the Olympics. Greek mythology |
| Year 2 | To Boldly Go The lives and journeys of intrepid explorers | | Location, Location, Location The Seven Continents | | Born to be Wild Animals and their young and what they need to survive | |
| Year 3 | The Dawn of Man As Britain moves from the Stone Age into the Iron Age, how does life in Ancient Egypt compare? | | The Great Game of Britain Exploring the British Isles – its land and people | | Fields of Gold The science of plant life told through the life and art of Vincent van Gogh | |
| Year 4 | More than Conquerors The impact of the Roman Empire | | The Phoenix Project Designing a new world through a study of Biomes including rainforest, grassland, mountains, tundra, desert | | Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep? Comparing robot power to human intelligence | |
| Year 5 | Becoming Britain The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle | | Get Ready to Rumble Natural phenomena – from earthquakes to volcanoes | | Cosmic! Exploring the earth and space | |
| Year 6 | From Field to Factory The Industrial Revolution – A local study | | Power and Plenty The impact of the Industrial Revolution and changes on our developing world | | Alive & Kicking The human circulation DARE Life Education | |
| EYFS | By Royal Appointment <i>A fairy tale journey to the palace...</i> | | Nativity Celebration and season | | Extra-ordinary Superheroes Seeing how the people around us are as heroic in their work as Superheroes are in theirs! | |

Overview of Events and Themed Days on the Willow Brook Calendar

| September | 6th Back to school | 13th Roald Dahl Day | 19th Potted Sport Event | 29th MacMillan fundraiser |
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| October | 6th Harvest Festival | 9th Black History Focus | | |
| November | 10th Remembrance | 13th Anti-Bullying Week 'Make a Noise' | 17th Children in Need Fundraising | |
| December | | 11th School Production week | 20th Nativity Day | 21st Carols by Candles |
| January | | | 26th Big Garden Bird Watch | (28th January is International Lego day - a homework challenge!) |
| February | 6th Safer Internet Day | 10th Chinese New Year | 22nd Young Voices | |
| March | 7th World Book Day | 8th International Women's Day | 11th National Science Week | 21st World Poetry Day |
| April | | | 23rd St George's Day | |
| May | 13th KS2 SATs week | | | |
| June | 3rd Whole school assessments | | | |
| July | 8th Sport Week | | 18th School open afternoon and learning exhibition | |