**Willow Class Newsletter**

Welcome back to Term 5! This year is whizzing by!

The children have made a fantastic start to Term 5. For the next 2 weeks we have Graham with us every day, He has been with us last term on a Friday but for the first 3 weeks of this term he is with us daily. He is a trainee teacher from UWE in his first year of his Education degree.

We have started learning about fractions – the children are starting to understand halves, quarters and thirds. In English we are investigating familiar tales and have been looking at the story of Little Red Riding Hood.

We have started our Hidden Woods topic with a look at natural artists Andy Goldsworthy and Richard Long. Next week (weather permitting) we will take our designs out to Mike’s Meadow to create and photograph. I am sure the creations will appear on Twitter so keep a look out.

We are looking forward to getting involved in work for the village Beaver Festival and in May we are looking forward to working with a local artist, Marian Hill on some river inspired collages. The dates are Thursday 9th and Friday 10th May – it would be great if we could get some parent volunteers to help support the children as well during the workshops. Let me know if you could potentially offer some time over the two days.

I hope you have all been able to enjoy the little bit of sun we have been getting over the weekend.

Best wishes

Alison and Kim

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 Last week’s teacher awards were awarded to:

Walty and Bonnie

**The Star of the Week was**:

Ivy

**Maths**: Dougie

**Presentation**: Kitty

**Homework**

**Reading** – This term we will continue to send home a reading book every Monday and Thursday. Please read these with your child focussing on their use of sounding words they do not know. Remember to record in the reading record book when you read with your child.

**Spelling:** Please continue to practise the spelling words from the spelling fish. The children have brought home a new fish and there has been lots of great progress.

We have a community reader called Jane joining us each Monday who will be reading with some of the children.

**Dates:-**

**Tuesday pm- Natalie PPA cover.**

**Monday – Mike’s Meadow (weather permitting)**

**Friday – PE**