English

In English, we will be looking at the 'The Viewer' by Gary Crew. This will influence our writing and inspire us to write our own portal stories. In guided reading, our book is 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. We will use this book to build our understanding of meaning, plot and language, whilst also building our vocabulary. We will have daily spelling lessons and we will also be working on developing our handwriting and presentation skills.

> **R.E.** Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?

Computing

The children will learn how to stay safe on the internet. We will apply knowledge and understanding of networks, to appreciate the internet as a network of networks which needs to be kept secure.

Science

In Science, we will be exploring forces. During this term, we will be looking at gravity and gravitational pull, friction, resistance, and pulleys, levers and gears, and how these are a constant in our daily lives. We will be talking scientifically and experimenting to deepen our learning and understanding. Maths

Our main focus for term 1 is number place and value. Year 5 will explore 5- and 6-digit numbers. This includes identifying, representing, reading, writing, ordering and comparing numbers. We will also be looking at geometry and completing daily arithmetic.

Reading Please courage your children to read every day. If possible, please also read with them.

Music This term, we will be developing melodic phrases. Homework Please see the separate Pick and Mix sheet.

Spellings Please complete the Sounds & Syllables spelling sheets each week.

History

Our focus this term is the Victorians in Bath. During this topic, we will be learning about Queen Victoria, the inventions that were created during this time, the issues they improved, the laws that were brought in to help children, and how children lived before these laws.

Art

The children will be exploring architecture. They will explore a range of different art, looking at the way an artist or architect makes statements through their work. The children will then design and create their own construction.

> **PE** Willow will have swimming on Mondays and invasion games with Steven on Thursdays.

PSHE

The children will decide on the new class rules. They will also explore the topic 'Me and my relationships'.

Year 5 Willow Class