

# Great Whelnetham CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Larks Class Newsletter Summer 1 Term 2023

Welcome back to the start of this exciting term. We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. Please find below some information about this term.

### **Curriculum Learning**

Please find below information about our learning this half term:

In **English** our genre will be Fairy Tales and Traditional Tales. Our text focus will be Cinderella, Snow White and the Three Billy Goats Gruff. We will also be looking at alternative versions!

In **Maths** we will focus on Multiplication & Division, Place Value, Addition & Subtraction within 100. We will continue to practice our counting skills to 100, count in our 2's, 5's and 10's.

For the first three weeks we will be having 3 **DT** lessons weekly. The children will be learning, designing and making Structures: Bridges and Towers.

In **Science** our topic is 'Plants'. We have our role play set up as a Garden Centre and hope to observe growing some beans! Do keep a look out on our school Facebook page for further updates on our curriculum learning throughout the term.

### <u>Homework</u>

**READING:** All pupils need to be reading at home **every** day. This will help your child to practice their blending skills and improve their understanding of the books they read. Please **record** when they have read in their reading diary making any relevant comments.

**Yr1 SPELLINGS:** On Mondays, spellings will continue to be sent home in your child's reading diary and they will be tested the following Monday. Please help your child to practice writing their spellings at home.

**Yr1**: If your child was sent home some 'nonsense' and 'real' word cards please continue to practice reading these words with your child.

**Library:** Please note your child's weekly library session is a Wednesday, please return their book the following Wednesday. This enables your child to enjoy their book for the week.

#### P.E. Days

This term P.E. lessons will be on a **Friday morning** with a **prompt** start of **9.15** so children **can come into school in their PE kit and bring in their normal school uniform to change back into**. Our focus this half term will be learning skills to play Cricket. **Please** ensure **earrings** are **not** worn on Fridays.

Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school at all times. P.E. kits should include: a white t-shirt, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and trainers. Please do ensure all clothing is clearly labelled so we can ensure any missing clothes are returned to the correct families.

Larks children will also take part in a lunchtime PE active club twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays.

#### Book bags, Water bottles, Coats, Sunhats and Forest Schools!

We ask all children to bring to school on a Monday a clean **water bottle**, which we will send home every Friday to ensure they are cleaned thoroughly. Please also ensure your child has a **waterproof coat** in school as although we are in the summer term we might still get some rain.

**Forest Schools** will be on Thursday afternoons. Please ensure your child brings in the appropriate clothes to change into.

As the weather is forecast to get warmer please ensure your child has a **named sun hat** in school. Thank you for your assistance with this.

#### Thank you!

Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support, it is incredibly appreciated. Mrs Masson and Mrs Fisher.

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