

## **Great Whelnetham CE Primary School**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

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## Larks Class Newsletter Summer 2 Term 2024

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Welcome back to this exciting busy term! I hope you all had a wonderful half term break. Please find below some information about this half term.

## **Curriculum Learning:**

**English:** Our new genre is Non-fiction with a focus on animals that live in the Ocean! We will learn the features of a non-fiction book and write facts on our favourite sea animals.

**Maths**: We will be focusing on Place Value within 100, Money and Time. We will continue to learn our doubles facts, number bonds to 20 and then 100 and counting in our 2's, 5's and 10's.

**Art:** Our topic is Animal collages – we will look at texture and form with Artist Megan Coyle and design our own animal collage.

**PHSE:** Our topic is 'Relationships'. We will discuss relationships we have with our family and how all families are different. What makes a good friend, how to show respect and what makes a good relationship.

**Science**: Our topic is 'See the Light' Children will learn about different light sources and be able to distinguish between natural and man-made light sources.

**Music:** Our topic is 'Your Imagination'. Each week we will listen and appraise a new song. We will learn the main song 'Your Imagination' and perform it within the class.

**Computing:** This half term children will move on from designing an animated book to coding and understanding what instructions are and what might happen when they are followed. We will use code to make a Computer Program.

**RE:** Our topic is Christianity based 'How can we help others when they need it?'

**Forest Schools:** The children will continue to have **forest schools** this term on **Wednesdays**. It is very important that your child has the correct clothing to stay warm and dry as they will be outside whatever the weather!

## Homework:

**Reading**: All pupils need to be reading at home every day. This will help your child practice their blending and fluency and improve their comprehension skills. Please **record** when they have read in their **reading diary** making any relevant comments and initialing their bookmark.

**Spellings**: On Mondays, spellings are 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.

**Maths**: To help develop children's fluency in mathematics we ask them to learn Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs). We expect children to practice their KIRFs at least 3 times a week. These were given out on parents evening to cover the whole year, and again recently.

**Reception**: In addition to hearing your child read please continue to practice the sounds and actions your child has learnt using the sound cards in your child's book bag.

<u>Book bags, Water bottles and Coats:</u> Just a reminder we encourage children to bring their belongings into School using a named book bag rather than a rucksack, unfortunately we have little storage space for these. When children attend before school gymnastics, they can bring in a small rucksack for their gym clothes. Please ensure **everything** is named!

We ask all children to bring to school on a Monday a simple sensible water bottle similar to the image below.



We will send the water bottles home every Friday to ensure they are cleaned thoroughly. As the weather is very changeable at the moment if you could please ensure your child has a **waterproof** coat in school.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns. Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support, it is hugely appreciated!

Kindest regards

Mrs C Masson, Mrs Sparrow, Mrs Moore & Mrs Turner Larks Team

