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Dear Parents/Carers,



### Larks Class Newsletter Autumn 2 Term 2022



Welcome back to the start of this very exciting term. We hope you all had a wonderful half term break. All the children have had a super start to the second term for this academic year. Please find below some information about this term.

#### Curriculum Learning

Please find below information about our learning this half term:

In English we will be reading fiction stories about familiar settings written by Judith Kerr. The Year 1 children will continue to write punctuated sentences leading to a short story.

In Maths we will be focussing on addition & Subtraction and shape using a mastery approach. We will practice our counting skills to 20, count in our 2's, 5's and 10's.

For the first three weeks we will be having 3 Geography lessons weekly. The children will be able to locate the UK on a European and World map. Understand that the UK is split into four countries and be able to locate the four main capital cities.

In Science our topic is 'Zootopia'. We will be grouping animals based upon their characteristics.

Do keep looking out on our school Facebook page for further updates on our curriculum learning throughout the term.

#### Homework

**READING:** Pupils need to be reading at home every day. This will help your child to practice their reading 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.

**Reception:** Please practice the sounds and actions your child has learnt using the sound cards in your child's book bag.

**Nativity:** Date for the diary Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2pm and 6pm performances.

#### P.E. Days/Forest Schools

Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school at all times. P.E. kits will be sent home at the end of half-term.

P.E. kits should include: a t-shirt, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and trainers/plimsolls. Please do ensure all clothing is clearly labelled so we can ensure any missing clothes are returned to the correct families.

For your information, P.E. lessons will be on a **Tuesday morning and Tuesday afternoon** this term. Larks children will also take part in a lunchtime PE active club twice a week.

Forest Schools will continue to be on **Wednesday** afternoons.

**Please ensure earrings are not worn on these days.**

#### Book bags, Water bottles and Coats

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. If you do not have a book bag these are available to purchase online from Brigade.

When children attend before school gymnastics and Forest Schools they can bring in a small rucksack for their gym/FS clothes. Please ensure **everything** is named!

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. Thank you for your assistance with this.

#### Thank you!

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

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