



# Warlingham Village Primary School's



## Class Newsletter

Year 2

Spring 2019

Welcome back to the spring term. I hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday. Happy New Year!

### Homework

**Unfortunately, many children did not complete their homework tasks regularly last term. Homework is always set to reinforce learning that has taken place at school. Therefore, children are at a disadvantage if they do not complete tasks given.**

The Maths Fluency questions in the back of homework books should be completed on a **daily basis**. There will also be an English, Science or topic-based task usually given on alternate Mondays. These tasks should be completed in about 15-20 minutes with minimal adult support. All homework books should be brought to school **each** Monday so they can be marked and new homework set.

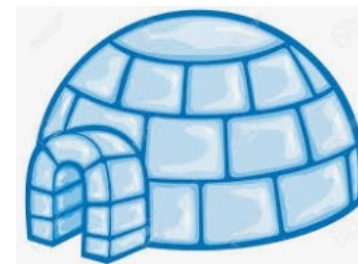
### Spellings

5-10 spellings will continue to be given each week. Correct spellings are highlighted and those not highlighted are to be learnt again for the next week. Children will be collected early from the playground on their spelling day.



### Take-away homework

Our takeaway homework this term is linked to our Discovery Curriculum topic 'Arctic Adventure'. This will be sent home separately.



### Reading books

Reading books will be changed on a **Monday**. Your child will choose 3 reading books to read throughout the week. Please fill in your child's reading record with any comment you think is appropriate each time they read to you. **Books will only be changed if there is an entry in the record book.** A list of possible comprehension questions to ask your child has been stuck into the front of their reading record.

### Volunteering your time

If anyone would like to volunteer to come into school in the afternoon to hear children read, please come and see me after school. We really appreciate any support from parents and grandparents.



## English

*This term we will be focussing on:*

- Character descriptions
- Non-fiction writing
- Letter writing
- Story writing
- Punctuation and grammar



## Handwriting

*We will continue to develop cursive handwriting. Many children have started to join their letters and children should always be encouraged to use their best handwriting when completing written tasks at home.*

## PE

*PE will continue to be on **Tuesdays**. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is at school on this day and that it is clearly labelled to avoid loss. Earrings should not be worn on this day and long hair should be tied back. **Many items of clothing are still not named, please check that names have not disappeared in the wash!***

## Snack

*The children will receive free fruit every day to enjoy at playtime. They should also bring in a drink of **water** in a labelled bottle for use throughout the day.*

## Maths

*In Maths this term, we will be learning about money, properties of shapes and fractions.*

*Please ensure your child is at school on time so that they do not miss the first few minutes of maths lessons which begin at 8.50am.*



## Discovery Curriculum

*This term our topic is 'Arctic Adventure.' Our Discovery Curriculum has a cross-curricular approach to teaching and learning, taking account of what the children know and would like to know. At the end of the topic, we will complete a 'Champion Challenge', where the children will use all the skills that they have learnt to complete a group challenge.*

*Thank you for reading this newsletter. If you have any questions or problems, then please do not hesitate to contact myself or Miss Simpson. I am available after school, or if this is not convenient then please make an appointment through the school office.*

**Mrs Vincent**