

# Warlingham Village Primary School's Class Newsletter



Year 2

Autumn 2025

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you had a wonderful summer holiday and I hope you and your children are looking forward to the next year as much as I am. The purpose of this newsletter is to outline important procedures for the year.

# **Reading**

Your child will bring home three reading books each week that should only contain phonemes that they have learnt so far. Children will also bring home a library book to read with you. Please fill in your child's reading record each time they read to you. Books will only be changed if there is an entry in the yellow record book. Children should read at least three times a week with you.

From September, your child will be allocated a 'reading day'. This will be the day on which their reading records are checked and books are changed.

I am currently reading with every child in the class so that we can make adjustments to book levels based on progress over the summer.

# **Spellings**

We will be following the Year 2 Common Exception words for our spellings. This list will be stuck in the back of the children's reading records, and will be highlighted as we learn them.

Each week, the children should focus on learning the next TWO words in the list. On a Friday, we will complete a spelling test of 5 words (the two new words, as well as three previously-learnt words). Any practice you can do at home would be gratefully appreciated. The spelling book will come home each week so you are able to see their results.

### Take - Away Homework

This term, the takeaway homework is based on learning across all subject areas that will take place this term including our wider curriculum topics. Children should choose a task to complete that interests them. Children should be ready to present their takeaway homework to the class in the last week of term. They will then receive 5 team points and a certificate.

# **English**

This term we will focus on writing: Stories, Instructions and Diaries.

We will also work on developing punctuation and grammar skills and on fluency, vocabulary, inference and retrieval in reading.

Just a reminder that I will be demonstrating handwriting with lead ins and lead outs, but not joined letters.

## **Wider Curriculum**

(incorporating science, history, geography, art and design technology)

To start the year, we will use Art and DT to answer the question 'How has art been used in popular culture?'. During this unit, we will study and design our own pop art.

After half-term we will use History, DT and Art to answer the question 'What was the impact of the Great Fire of London on the structures in modern day London?'

### Maths

In Maths this term we will focus on the following:

- · Composition of Numbers
- · Addition and Subtraction
- · Multiplication as Equal Groups



# <u>PE</u>

This year, PE will take place on **Thursday and Friday afternoons**. Children should wear school PE kit into school on these days. Long hair should be tied back and earrings should not be worn on this day.

Please feel free to speak to me if you ever have any concerns or questions. Alternatively please email the office who will pass your message on.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter.

Miss Caldecourt