



## Spring Term 1 Newsletter January 2024

### YEAR 3 (Foxes Class)



Dear Parents/Carers,

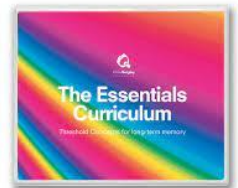
Welcome back! In this newsletter you will find information on what we are studying this term as well as general information and key dates for your diary. As ever, should you have any questions, do contact us via ClassDojo.

As you are aware, our school values are Resilience, Community and Respect. Please continue to discuss these at home with your child and how they can reflect these at home and school.

Miss Morgan, Mrs Pitcher and Mrs Bull.



### Term 3 Learning



Our curriculum is underpinned by the Essentials Curriculum by Chris Quigley, which provides us with a coherent, progressive and appropriately sequenced curricular structure to enable the children to develop subject specific knowledge and skills to prepare them well for the next stages of their education. We also use specific schemes such as White Rose Maths and Jigsaw (PSHE).

This term the children's learning will be as follows:


English	Our focus book this term is A Bear Called Paddington by Michael Bond. We will be using this as a stimulus for a variety of writing, including writing instructions and writing a letter.
Maths	In maths we will be starting our next multiplication and division unit, which includes multiplying and dividing two-digit numbers by one-digit numbers. After this unit, we will be moving on to length and perimeter where we will be learning about metres, centimetres and millimetres.
RE	Our focus in RE this term is Incarnation. Our big question is 'What is the Trinity?'. In this topic, we will be learning about the meaning of Incarnation and the Trinity and its importance in the Christian faith.
History	This term we will be looking at the Egyptians and the Romans and exploring aspects of these significant periods of time.
Geography	In geography, we will be looking at Europe, where we will be learning about the countries and physical features of the continent.
Science	This term we have a focus on biology and physics. In biology, we will be investigating and classifying living things. In physics, we will be learning about movement, forces and sound.

Art	In art, we will be looking at 'A Journey into Space' and will be focusing on the artist Robert McCall. We will be creating our own space art using a variety of media.
DT	In DT this term we will be doing food technology. We will be learning about different soups before preparing and making our own!
PE	On Tuesdays we will be doing dance and will be creating a dance based on the theme 'Wild Animals'. On Fridays, we will be learning about dodgeball and the skills involved in this sport.
PSHE	Our overarching topic this term is Dreams and Goals. We will be learning about setting goals for ourselves, overcoming challenges and celebrating our achievements.
French	This term we will be learning words for different animals in French and how to use different articles and determiners in French.
Music	This term, we will be learning about the singer Bob Marley and singing some of his songs.

### **Additional information**

Spellings – these are set every Friday and evaluated on the following Friday. These will be posted on Class Dojo and will be available on Spelling Shed.

Reading – Please do read regularly with your child at home. Sign their reading record and help them earn Accelerated Reader awards, raffle tickets and house points! We cannot stress how much of a positive impact this has on your child's reading ability.

Please make sure that your child has their name in their clothes including their everyday school clothes kit. 

Thank you!

### **Key dates/information (so far!)**

11<sup>th</sup> January – Help Save Lives – first aid classes for children (at school)

21<sup>st</sup> January - World Religion Day (Sunday)

18<sup>th</sup> January – Themed lunch (Superhero Day)

19<sup>th</sup> January – Young Voices @ O2

22<sup>nd</sup> January – BOUNCE trampolining workshop

23<sup>rd</sup> January - National Handwriting Day

29<sup>th</sup> January – 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Whizz Kidz fundraising week

1<sup>st</sup> February – Whizz Kidz fun run

2<sup>nd</sup> February – NSPCC Number Day

5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> February – Children's Mental Health Week

6<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day

9<sup>th</sup> February – Last day of term (full day)

