



Whitemoor Academy

Head of School: Mrs G Hooper

10th January 2022

Dear Parents / Carers.

Class 1 Curriculum Coverage Spring Term

I hope that you had a peaceful Christmas break with your family. This year Class 1 is a mix of Reception and Nursery children. Your class teacher is Miss Towner and the TA's are Mrs Toher, Miss Snow and Miss Treen. Currently the Nursery use their building in the morning separately to the Reception children and then we combine in the afternoons to make one whole group. This allows for specialised learning for each year group.

Over the Spring Term we are going to be looking at the topic 'Once Upon a Time'. This theme will allow your child to develop a love of reading.

Over the first half term we will be looking at traditional tales. These will help your child to develop the pattern and rhythm stories have and will help them to begin to create their own. We will look at some classics like Three Little Pigs and Jack and the Beanstalk. During the second half of the term, we will look at the children's favourite authors and stories they are interested in.

The Reception children will continue to learn more phonemes (letter sounds) in our RWI scheme. They will continue to receive reading books each week. You will receive the decodable books on Mondays which you will have over the week to return them on Fridays. We expect you to read the book 3 times over the course of the week before returning them. Over the weekend your child will be able to take a school library book home and need to be bought back on Mondays. A new book will be issued when the other one is bought back.

The Nursery children will also begin their letter and sounds phonics where they will be playing games to start to develop their understanding of different sounds. They will also be able to have a library book once a week to keep for the week. They will collect these on Fridays and return them the following week.

There will also be a homework grid for each half term. On the grid there will be 9 different activities that you can choose to do at home. I would like you to choose one activity each week to complete and upload to Tapestry by Thursday. We will then share with them whole class on Fridays.

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If you used Tapestry previously for your child, you can continue to use the same login. If Tapestry is new to you then we would issue you an account by the end of the week. If you would like more information about what Tapestry is and how to use this then please speak to me.

We will be doing our PE days on Wednesday PM where your child would need to come dressed in appropriate clothing for the weather. This can be trainers, jogging bottoms and jackets. They would also need to wear a school PE top. Please ensure they do not wear any branded items and have plain black or blue bottoms along with the school PE top. They can wear a plain black / blue jacket or hoodie or their school jumper. Thank you. After half term this will change where they would need to bring in a PE kit for the half term.

We are planning a school trip later in the term to link to our topic. We are hoping to go to a local library and complete a teddy bears picnic. If you would like to offer your help with this then please let me know. More information about this to follow in due course.

I am always happy to chat you at drop off and pick up times about anything that is small, but with anything that would need more than 2 minutes, an appointment would need to be made to discuss the issue further.

Kind regards

Miss Towner

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