



# Wren Class Newsletter

## February 2024



Welcome to our Term 4 newsletter. We hope you had a restful half term.

### Our Learning

This term we are focusing on knowing about how to keep healthy, we will be looking at the importance of...

- regular physical activity
- healthy eating
- toothbrushing
- sensible amounts of 'screen time'
- having a good sleep routine
- being a safe pedestrian

As authors we will be continuing to develop our sentence writing remembering finger spaces, full stops and capital letters.

As scientists this term we will focus on understanding the effects of changing seasons on the natural world around us, this learning will also be part of our Forest school sessions.

In RE we will be recognising people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. We will also be answering the question 'why do Christians put crosses in Easter gardens?'

As mathematicians we will be comparing length, height and time, building numbers 9 and 10 and exploring 3-D shapes. We will continue with our Mastery of Number sessions as well.

Please see the attached Curriculum Jigsaw as an overview of our learning this term.

### Thursday PE with Future Stars

Our PE lessons will once again be held on a Thursday and be led by our PE coaches from Future Stars. We will be focusing on ball skills. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school, including named daps.

### Forest School

Our Forest School sessions will continue to be held on Tuesday afternoons so please make sure waterproofs and wellies are in school.

### Recognition Board and Values Tree

In line with our whole school behaviour policy, we have a 'Recognition Rocket' which the children enjoy putting their photographs on if they challenge themselves in their learning or show good learning behaviour.

We also promote our school values of **respect, perseverance, and creativity** by recognising children showing those values and celebrating them on our values tree.

The children enjoy talking about our values and regularly remind each other (and us) to keep persevering if they find something tricky!

Reading Diaries / Phoneme Books and Common Exception Words

Thank you to all our parents who listen to their child read regularly, it makes a big impact on their learning. Please could you indicate if you have listened to your child read, even if this is just a signature or a tick in the reading record book.

As we said in our phonics meeting, we have learnt all the new phonemes for Reception, however some of these are particularly tricky and need to be practised as much as possible. Please continue to practise the **phoneme book** and **common exception word book** regularly, particularly focusing on the diagraphs and trigraphs: or, ar, ur, er, ure, air, ear. Encourage your child to recognise these phonemes in words when reading and spelling.

World Book Day

This will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, please see the main school newsletter for more information on this.

Parents Evening

We are looking forward to seeing you all during parents evening this term on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March or Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. There will be a chance to look through your child's books, Learning Journeys, as well as our class floor books which focus on Mathematics and our 'Understanding of the World' learning.

If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to come and chat to us anytime. If a longer chat is necessary, then

Speak to us and we will arrange a meeting time.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Wilson and Mrs Heirani

