

## Welcome to Wildfire Class!

Dear Children, Parents and Families,

We hope you have all had a wonderful time together over the summer and are ready to start the new year feeling refreshed and raring to go. We are looking forward to getting to know the children more as they settle into Wildfire class, and we are sure that we will have a fun and successful year of learning together.

During our first 2 weeks back in school we are working on the book 'Jack and the Baked Beanstalk' by Colin Stimpson. We have already been getting back into the swing of learning through a range of activities including exploring the characters and settings in the book and re-telling some of the main events in the story, from the character's perspective.



### ANCIENT EGYPT



For the rest of this term, we will be learning all about Ancient Egypt. Links will be made across many areas of the curriculum. We will use some superb and engaging texts such as 'Cinderella of the Nile' by Beverley Naidoo and 'The Ancient Egypt Sleepover' by Stephen Davies.

You can find further information about the school's curriculum on the school website.

#### PE Kit

Our regular PE days will be on **Mondays and Wednesdays**.

Please ensure the children have their PE kits in school each day, where they will remain on their peg. During the first half term, we are very lucky to receive 5 sessions of rugby coaching on Thursday afternoons (this will replace our Monday PE sessions during those weeks).



#### Spellings, reading and homework.

Towards the beginning of each term, children will be sent home with a sheet of week-by-week spellings. The new spellings will be introduced to the children in school, weekly on Mondays. Children are expected to practice these spelling words at home, and they will then be tested on these spellings the following Monday.

Children will bring their reading books home from school, which will be in line with the children's AR levels. We continue to ask that **all children** read at home at least **five times a week** and kindly ask that an adult signs the reading record to record this has been done).



TT rockstars should also be used regularly to support the children in practicing their times tables. Times tables will be a big focus for the children this year as they will be completing the multiplication check towards the end of their time in year 4.

Any further information regarding additional homework tasks will be sent out in due course.

We are looking forward to a fun and successful year of learning ahead, full of progress and special memories the children will make over the course of this next academic year.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions or concerns about your child and their learning.

Best wishes,

Miss Murray and Mrs Allen