# White Spire School

# Spring Term

Welcome back, and Happy New Year. We hope you have all had a lovely holiday. Again we are looking forward to a busy and exciting term. If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to contact us.

## <u>Curriculum</u>

During the Spring Term we will be covering the following areas - English

 Our topic is 'Detectives' we will be using a Sherlock Holmes text as a basis for our work. We will look at and discuss the characters and events. We will practise and develop comprehension skills and plan a piece of writing about a crime. We will continue to work on developing spelling and handwriting. You can help at home by discussing what they are working on and helping with any EHC targets.

#### Maths

• Our focus will be on knowledge of Time, Money and Measurement. We will be looking at units of time, reading the time and the calendar. We will look at units of measurement and measuring items. We will also be looking at money and how to make different amounts. You can help at home by practising telling the time and continuing to learn times tables.

#### Science

 We will be looking at forces and speed. We will take part in a range of experiments to identify how force can impact different objects.

#### Options

• As part of our options we will be working on a range of different activities depending on the option chosen. In D of E we will start of looking at first aid, in Art we will be exploring printing techniques.

#### Computing

• We will be looking at how we can stay safe online including different security options for data. We will also be exploring moving images and sound.

#### RE

• We will be looking at why people believe in God and what evidence there is for a belief in God.

#### PSHCE

• We will learn about making positive choices in regard to sleep and diet. We will continue to work on understanding relationships including what makes a healthy relationship and how we can get help, if we need it.

#### **Attendance**

Attendance continues to be a key factor in progress. It is essential children are in school as much as possible. Therefore, we ask that medical appointments, where possible, are outside of school hours.

# Forthcoming Events:

- World Book Day 2<sup>nd</sup> March
- Parents Evening 16<sup>th</sup> March
- Careers Week 13<sup>th</sup> March
- Coffee Morning 17th March

Please check your child's diary for the latest updates and information

#### meals, you can register and find out if your child is eligible by visiting a quick and easy system: https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims/

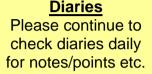
# Our school menu and order form can be downloaded from the website:

If you think your child may be entitled for free school

https://www.whitespireschool.org.uk/sites/default/files/p df/Lunch\_Order\_Form.pdf

**Free School Meals Online Application** 

Classes 11, <u>12 and 13</u> <u>Newsletter</u> <u>Spring Term</u> 2023





#### Support

Milton Keynes City Council is funding a free 'Warmth and Wellbeing Helpline.' It offers advice to people struggling with the cost-of-living crisis. MK residents can call freephone **0800 107 0044** Monday to Friday from 9.00am – 5.00pm to get advice from the National Energy Foundation's Better Housing Better Health team

### <u>Trips</u>

We will let you know about any trips that are going ahead via diaries.

# <u>PE</u>

PE will continue to be twice weekly. Please make sure children come in wearing appropriate clothing to take part in activities.