



White Spire School

Spring Term

Welcome back and a very happy new year. We hope you've had a good break. We are looking forward to an exciting new year of learning and activities ahead. This term we will be studying the topic of 'Space and Beyond.' Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns about your child.

Class 4, 5 & 6

Newsletter

Spring Term 2023

Curriculum

Our new, exciting topic for Spring Term is 'Space and Beyond.' We will be covering the following areas -

English

- We will explore structures of fiction and non-fiction texts. We will plan, write and edit texts. We will develop our reading and writing skills through our phonic programme Read, Write Inc.

Maths

- We will develop our knowledge and skills in number, fractions, multiplication, and division calculations.

Science

- We will investigate the solar system and its planets alongside the interaction of the Sun, Earth and Moon in the solar system. We will investigate how we see things in relation to how light travels.

Humanities

- Through historical enquiry, we will learn about people who have made significant contributions to national and international achievements. In Geography we will be learning about locations around the world and developing our map reading skills.

Computing

- We will be developing our skills by creating a Google Slide presentation on Space.

RE

- The focus this term is on Hinduism and Sikhism. We will be looking at places of worship and sacred texts.

PSHCE

- We will be learning what constitutes a good friendship, including online, and the importance of looking after our physical and mental health.

Art

- We will be creating our own moonscapes in various different mediums.

Technologies

- In DT, we will design, make and evaluate a model of the solar system. In food, we will make a snack suitable for an astronaut.

Performing Arts

- We will focus on notation/musical timbre and effects. We will develop musical appreciation through pictures of an exhibition by Mussorgsky. We will also be describing pictures through the use of percussion instruments and create graphic scores.

- PE • We will develop skills in gymnastics, korfbal, quick sticks and rounders.

Space and Beyond



Break and lunchtime clubs

- Sports (football, basketball etc.)
- Board games
- Art
- Musical instruments
- Singing
- Library

Forthcoming Events:

Friday 10th February 2023 - Coffee Morning

Thursday 2nd March 2023- World book day

Thursday 16th March 2023- Parents evening

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

Attendance

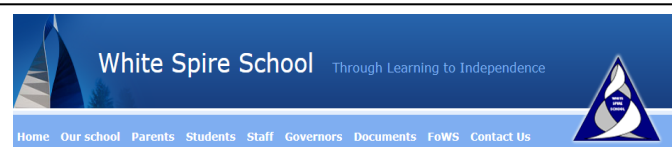
We believe regular school attendance is an important part of giving your child the best possible start in life. Please help us by ensuring your child attends school every day.

PE Kit and uniform

Please ensure your child's uniform is **clearly labelled**.

'Warmth and Wellbeing Helpline?'

Milton Keynes City Council is funding a free 'Warmth and Wellbeing Helpline?' MK residents can call free phone **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.



Our School Website is updated regularly for key updates, term dates, events and other useful information. Follow the link below:

<https://whitespireschool.org.uk/school-calendar>

Free School Meals Online Application



If you think your child may be entitled to free school 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:

https://www.whitespireschool.org.uk/sites/default/files/pdf/Lunch_Order_Form.pdf



Daily Home School Communication



Please ensure the school diary is sent into school every day and check it for regular updates.