



White Spire School

Class 1 Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term 2023

Summer Term

Welcome back to school. It's been brilliant to see the children return enthusiastic and ready for their new learning theme - Fairy Tales! When the weather warms up, please remember your child can bring in a hat and sunglasses to wear when we are outside. As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries.

Fairy Tales



Summer Term Curriculum

Our learning will be based around a different well-known fairy tale each week. We will let you know via the diary what our book of the week is. Through formal learning activities, supported play and 1:1 learning opportunities:

Literacy

We now follow Read, Write, Inc, a formal programme for learning phonics. In these sessions we are learning the sound each letter makes, which helps our early reading skills. We are also exploring and practising the formation of the letters for our early writing skills. We will enjoy and explore popular fairy tales, using them to develop our comprehension skills. Every day we will look at developing our early writing and mark making skills, including writing our names, numbers and closed shapes.

Mathematics

We will be developing our counting skills, moving beyond 10 and refining our one to one correspondence skills to count a set of objects accurately to find a total. We will continue to expand our knowledge of what happens when we add and take away objects from a set. We will continue to explore the early concepts of measure and size through practical exploration and play.

Communication and Language

We will be developing our understanding of key concepts (like positions in, on and under). We will build on following instructions, making and responding to requests. We will continue to use individualised communication aids in all areas of our academic, personal and social learning.

Physical Development

In our PE time we will develop our motor control, coordinating our hand-eye and hand-foot movements. In preparation for Sports Day, we will develop our running, jumping and throwing skills. Every day the children have the opportunity to develop their fine motor skills through a range of practical activities.

Understanding of the World

We will continue to care and tend for the plants in our garden, observing how they grow and change. We will explore types of buildings in our environment and choosing building materials for our own structures. In technology, we will be learning to recognise different electronic sounds and use devices to play and record sounds.

PSED (Personal, Social and Emotional Development)

We will be supporting the children in exploring healthy choices in food and exercise, alongside looking after ourselves by developing good hygiene skills. The children will continue to be supported in building relationships through working constructively with adults and sharing an activity with a friend.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will use our fairy tales to create art and craft work linked to the stories. This allows us to explore and experiment using different materials and tools. We will continue to investigate making and controlling sounds. We will also explore our fairy tales through role play.

Forthcoming Events

- * Bank Holiday School Closed - Monday 1st May
- * Coronation Celebrations Curriculum Day - Friday 5th May
- * Bank Holiday School Closed - Monday 8th May
- * Parents Evening - Thursday 15th May
- * The Secret Garden Performance - Friday 16th June
- * Meet Your New Teacher Day - Tuesday 11th July
- * Sports Day - Wednesday 19th July
- * School Summer BBQ - Thursday 20th July
- * Break Up for Summer Holidays - Friday 21st July

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

Attendance

We'd really like to aim for 100% attendance this term. Thank you for your efforts in making every day count. Let's try and make our last term the best yet!

PE

Our PE days have changed slightly to **Tuesdays and Fridays.**

Healthy Snack

School provides a healthy snack and drink for break time. The children are welcome to bring in their own water bottles. 🍌