



White Spire School

Welcome to the Summer Term

Welcome back after the Easter holidays! As always, we look forward to working with you to achieve the best outcomes for your child. Please do not hesitate to get in contact if you have any concerns or worries, either via your child's planner or the school office.

Class 7, 8, 9 and 10
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Curriculum

Our topic for the Summer Term is – **Fact or Fantasy** with a focus on the ancient Mayan civilisation. We will be covering the following areas -

English

- We will continue to develop our reading and writing skills through our phonic programme Read, Write Inc. Our extended writing will be linked to the novel 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.

Maths

- We will continue working on our basic skills of times tables and number. Later we will be looking at developing our knowledge of shape and position.

Science

- We will have a biology focus looking at gas exchange systems including human respiration. Later in the term, we will be learning about space including the sun, stars and seasons.

Humanities

- Through historical enquiry, we will find out who the Mayans were, what they believed and their legacy. As part of geography we will identify continue to develop our knowledge of location as well as weather and climate.

Computing

- We will explore recording software and use this to record our own podcasts.

RE

- The focus this term is on Islam and Buddhism. We will start off looking at birth, marriage and death in Islam. We will continue to celebrate diversity and how this brings us all together.

PSHCE

- We will continue to develop our knowledge of what is safe. We will look at relationships and having positive aspirations.

Art and DT

- In art, we are going to look at sculpture and create clay pottery and carvings. In DT we will make a Mayan temple.

Food Technology

- We will make hot dishes using seasonal ingredients.

Performing Arts

- We will look at TV adverts and compose our own theme tune.

PE

- We will continue to take part in individual and competitive games, including rounders and athletics.

Fact or Fantasy



Break and lunchtime clubs

- Sports
- Board games
- Art
- Musical instruments
- Singing
- Library

End of Year Trip



10th July
Bowling

Forthcoming Events

- **King Charles III- Coronation Party**
5th May 2023
- Parent's Evening 15th
June 2023
- Sports Day 19th
July 2023
- School BBQ 20th
July 2023

Further details will be sent home nearer the time in planners.

Attendance

We believe regular school attendance is essential to achievement. 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.

Summer Term 2023

Monday	17 th April	Inset Day- School Closed
Tuesday	18 th April	School Opens for Pupils
Monday	1 st May	Bank Holiday- School Closed
Monday	8 th May	Bank Holiday- School Closed
Friday	26 th May	School Closes for Half Term
Monday	5 th June	School Opens for Pupils
Friday	21 st July	School Closes for Summer

Interested in participating in the parade or a stall?
Email events@westbletchleycouncil.gov.uk
call 01908 370 348

Free School Meals Online Application



If you think your child may be entitled for 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.