

Mansfield Primary Academy



Woodys' and Buzzlightyears' Classes Newsletter



Spring Term 2019

2020

HAPPY NEW YEAR



Bug Club

Please make sure that you are using the Bug Club online login as it allows children to access a range of books tailored to their level. Their reading books from school will only be changed once a week.

The online books will ask a variety of questions to help develop comprehension skills. The website is:

www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

Kinetic Letters

We are continuing to develop our new handwriting scheme of Kinetic Letters this term and have lots of new and exciting opportunities. The key vocabulary that we will be using in Kinetic Letters this half term will be; Brave Monkey, Scared Monkey, down and bump, down and keep on down, up, push and pull. Don't forget to keep practising the all important animal positions; Penguin, Meerkat, Lizard, Gorilla and Stone Lion.

A Land Far Away!

During this term our focus topic will be A Land Far Away. Throughout this topic we will be looking at some of the traditional tales alongside traditional tales with a twist. We will have the opportunity to visit a variety of different exciting locations such as Pirate Island and Play Avenue. Children will have the opportunity to develop new skills such as creating and retelling stories in imaginative ways; cooking skills, following and creating their own recipes. Children will be able to use their imagination to design and build their own castles and create their fairyland dream location.

This term our main focus will be on developing writing skills and the use of applying independent knowledge to help read, spell and write words/ captions. Children are expected to be able to write their own name independently and we ask that you continue to practice this at home.

Spellings, Reading books and Homework

Homework will be focusing on Literacy and Mathematic skills. It will be handed out on a Friday but will need to be handed in by the following Wednesday for marking.

Reading books in both the Woody's and Buzz Lightyear's class will now only be changed once a week as the children are expected to access their reading using bug club. We are able to monitor this within school.

P.E Kits

PE will be on **Monday and Wednesday** so please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school on these days. However, PE could take place at any time, so it's easier if your child brings their PE kit in on a Monday and leaves it in school all week to take home Friday for washing, ready for the following week.



Stay and Play

Throughout the year we will run a variety of stay and play sessions for parents and carers to come into school and share learning experiences with their child. During this time all staff are available to answer any questions you may have regarding your child. Please see the key dates section for the arranged dates and times. We look forward to seeing you at Stay and Play.

Maths Vocabulary

Add
Take away
Subtract
Altogether
equals
total

Please help your child to learn the above vocabulary as it is essential they understand this.



Dates for your diary

W/C 13th January—Science Week
21st January—1,2,3 Magic for parents (please see Miss Johnson for more details)
29th January—Stay and Play 9am—11am
3rd February—EYFS Pyjama day
5th February —EYFS trip to Pirate Island (lunch provided)
17th - 21st February—Half Term Break
24th February—Back to school
5th March—World Book Day
31st March—EYFS trip to Play Avenue
1st April - Stay and Play 2pm—3.10pm
6th - 17th April—Easter Holidays
20th April—Back to school

Please check newsletters/website for extra dates

Phonics Vocabulary

CVC words
Digraph
Phoneme
Grapheme
Segmenting
Blending
Tricky words

We look forward to continuing to work alongside you and your child. Thank you for all of your help and support so far this academic year.

EYFS Team