

FARTHING WOOD CURRICULUM LETTER



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AUTUMN TERM 2023

Welcome back! We are very excited to begin this year with our new class structures. We have an exciting term of learning in Farthing Wood Class! Mr Lovell & I (Mrs Moore) will be sharing the majority of the teaching in this class. We will have Year 4, 5 & 6 children in the mornings & Y3s will join us for their afternoon learning. I (Mrs Moore) will teach on Mondays (all day) Tuesdays (all day), Wednesdays (all day). Mr Lovell will teach on Thursdays (morning) & Friday (morning). Our children will also enjoy being taught PE with the Arena Coaches (every Monday afternoon), Music with Mrs Butlin (every Friday afternoon) & Wildtribe with Mrs Blackburn (every Thursday afternoon). Our class cloakroom (Years 3 - 6) will be in our classroom (the largest classroom at the back of the school) behind the yellow door - all children will have a named peg. It is a privilege to teach your wonderful children and we are looking forward to a fantastic term of hard-work and progress. We are always delighted to hear about the wonderful achievements outside of school as well as sharing their successes in school - so please do feel you can always come and speak to us about any matters concerning your child.

Thank you - Mrs Moore

HOME-SCHOOL VALUE & SECRET SKILLS

This term, we will be focusing on the value of: **Friendship**. We will send out our Home-School-Values sheets and we hope your family will find the ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together. Children are welcome to bring in their home-school challenge items for our Value display board - once they complete them.

For our Secret Skill will be learning to become:

Self-Managers

EVENTS THIS TERM



AUTUMN LUNCH





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CHRISTMAS
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OUR LEARNING & OUR REWARDS

Topic: The Looe Valley - learning all about our beautiful valley home! We have attached a topic learning grid to show you the national curriculum objectives & key concepts for all our subjects.

In our class, children can earn HOUSE POINTS for hard work and good behaviour which contribute towards their team's weekly scores: Phoenix (Reds), Unicorn (Yellows) or Dragon (Greens). They can also earn individual STARS for working well in class, showing good manners or behaviour, kindness to others, teamwork, an outstanding piece of work, showing excellent progress...the list is endless! These individual stars add towards their individual totals & the child/children with the highest number of stars (each week) gets awarded 'Star of the Week' in our weekly WOW assemblies - they also get a prize, their name in the school

newsletter and a place on our WOW wall!

HOME WORK THIS TERM

There is an expectation of at least 10 minutes homework each evening in KS2 (Y3 - 6) or 50 - 60 minutes each week. Our suggested Homework timetable:

Monday: IXL Reading
Tuesday: IXL Mathematics
Wednesday: IXL Spelling
Thursday: IXL Grammar
Friday: IXL Punctuation
Everyday: Reading Books

IXL engagement & reading books will be checked weekly & stars (which contribute towards our star of the week awards) will be awarded. Should your child need their login details or a new reading book/record please ask. Should your child be unable to access the online learning platform please do let us know and an alternative form of homework will be provided.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

PE: Children can come to school in their PE kits on Mondays. Please ensure they have **waterproof trainers**, PE top, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a warm jumper.

Wild Tribe Thursdays:
Children can come to school in their Wild Tribe wet weather gear: Wellies or waterproof shoes, waterproof trousers & coat, warm tracksuit bottoms, a long sleeve top & a warm jumper. They will need their waterproofs every week as they are outside, enjoying nature & the elements, for a whole afternoon!

Reading Books
& Records: Please make sure children bring their reading books and reading records to school everyday. Please ensure you sign to acknowledge you have heard your child to read once a week - all children Y3 - 6.