

**A message about Reception**

Reception have loved learning about different traditional tales and creating their own versions of the stories! Our next topic is Fantastic Creatures. In this topic, we will be learning about real animals and mythical creatures and their habitats.

We will be continuing our Phonics, Reading, Writing and Mathematics teaching through targeted whole class sessions. We will be continuing to follow the Little Wandle programme for phonics in which we will be particularly focusing on their blending (reading) and segmenting (spelling) skills. Children should continue to read at home daily to further develop their phonics skills. We will be looking for a 'Book Worm of the Half Term' to reward their efforts in reading. In Mathematics, we will be continuing to follow the White Rose scheme of work. This half term our focus will include building numbers from 11-20, manipulating shapes, odd and even numbers and sharing and grouping numbers.

**Homework**

After half term our topic will be 'Fantastic Creatures'. At the start of the Summer term, we would like the children to create their favourite animal. This could be a real animal or a mythical creature such as a dragon or unicorn. These will be displayed in our classrooms for everyone to see! We would also like the children to practise the different sounds we have learnt over the year. Please send in any evidence so we can celebrate the children's efforts at school.

**Weekly time table**

**PE will be taught on the following days:**

- Chawla class - Tuesday and Wednesday
- Farah class- Monday and Wednesday
- Donaldson class- Wednesday and Friday

Children should come to school in their PE kits on these days.

**Uniform**

- Dark grey school trousers or skirt or grey pinafore dress or skirt.
- White polo shirt.
- Navy V-neck jumper or cardigan.
- Plain dark or white socks or tights.
- Plain black school shoes or trainers.
- **PE kit:** white t-shirt
- Black shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- Navy blue sweatshirt (worn over the top if necessary)
- Black plimsolls or plain black or white trainers

