# Mrs Wakefield's Newsletter

## Homework

Learning Logs proved such a success that we will continue with them this year. Learning diaries will be stuck in the front of each child's Learning Log (Homework book). It explains everything you need to know about the homework, so please read this carefully.

I am running a Class Homework Club this term!! If children complete their homework and hand it in on time they will receive a special treat each month. The treat will be a fun activity, something that the club members can do together. Every child is in the club at the beginning of term. If, however, a child does not do their homework or if they forget to bring in a piece of homework then they will not be able to participate in the club treat.

I am hoping that this will encourage your child to bring in all their homework and realise the importance of the deadlines!



Please make sure that all clothes and belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name! We had lots of lost items last term and it took up many hours of teaching time trying to sort out which item belonged to which child.

## Pleas from Mrs Wakefield

Please help your child learn all the times tables, so that your child can recite them – 'one two is two, two twos are four, three twos are six' and so on. Also practise division using facts such as 'four divided by two is two'.

Happy Birthday to:

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Elektra Isabella Cameron Rowe Meira Leah Chloe



<u>Literacy</u>	<u>Maths</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>P.E</u>	<u>R.E</u>
<ul> <li>Traditional tales - fables</li> <li>Plays</li> <li>Humorous poems</li> <li>Recount</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Addition and subtraction</li><li>Place value</li><li>Times tables</li></ul>	<ul><li>Plants</li><li>Animals</li><li>including</li><li>humans</li></ul>	o Stone Age to the Iron Age	o Invasion games	<ul> <li>Do Christians need to take communion?</li> </ul>

If you need to contact me, please send an email to the office. Alternatively, see me after school and we can arrange a time to meet.

# **Spellings**

All the children will receive half termly spellings. **The list** will be given to the children at the beginning of **every half term**, usually about ten words. These words are quite tricky so I will give them the whole half term to learn them! They will be tested at the end of the half term. Every child in the country is expected to be able to spell these words by the end of the year.

In addition to this, the children will still receive weekly spellings from their spelling group. They will be given these during our spelling lessons on Monday and tested the following Monday.

Spelling homework will need to be handed in on a Monday.



# **Reading Books**

In Year 3 and 4 children will now be reading in groups with the teacher and teaching assistant every week. They will then choose a book of their own to take home. In the beginning the children may choose a book which is a little too easy or even too hard for them. Please can you guide them with their choices, as we will try to do in class.

#### HELP!!

If you have any time at all that you could spare to help us I would really appreciate it!

Maybe you would be able to listen to children read or help out with an art activity?

Just let me know which days are good for you and for how long you are available.

Thank you.

Things that we always need: old newspapers, yoghurt pots, old shirts.

Important Dates this
 term:

#### Family Photos -

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

#### **Harvest and Macmillan Coffee**

**Morning** – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September

Big Me Day -

Friday 14th October

#### 180th Anniversary of Lewknor School –

Tuesday 18th October

#### Parents Evenings -

Monday 17th October

Wednesday 19th October

#### **INSET Day -**

Friday 21st October

#### Children in Need -

Friday 18th November

### Christingle -

Friday 2nd December

#### Christmas Play -

Thursday 15th December

Parents have asked, in the past, for ideas for reading books. I have compiled a list. It is not extensive, however, I hope it helps.

# Suggested Reading List for Years 3 and 4

## Humour

Seriously Silly series Allen Ahlberg Arabel's Raven Joan Aiken Fudge Series Judy Bloom Jake Cake series Michael Broad Clarice Bean series Lauren Child The Legend of Spud Murphy, Captain Crow's Feet Eoin Colfer

My Naughty Little Sister Dorothy Edwards

Rescuing Dad, How to Train Your Parents, My Friend's a Werewolf

Pete Johnson

Vald the Drac series Ann Jungman Mammoth Academy series Neal Layton Captain Underpants series Dav Pilkey Dirtie Bertie series David Roberts Horrid Henry series Francesca Simon Charlie Small series Charlie Small

Mr Gum series Andy Stanton

My Brother's Famous Bottom, One Hundred Mile an Hour Dog series, Let's do the Pharoah, Krazy Cow, My Mum's Going to

Explode Jeremy Strong

Pongwiffy series Kaye Umansky

Jeremy James series David Henry Wilson

## Humour/Adventure

Eddie Dickens Trilogy, Fall of Fergal Philip Ardagh Harry the Poisonous Centipede series Lynn Reid Banks Vernon Bright series Steve Barlow/Steve Skidmore Astrosaurs series Steve Cole Spy Dog series Andrew Cope Just William Richmal Crompton Little Wolf Ian Whybrow

## Adventure

Beast Quest Adam Blade Secret Seven, Adventure stories Enid Blyton Cows in Action Steve Cole GRK series Joshua Doder Emil and the Detectives Erich Kastner Turbulent Term of Tyke Tiler Gene Kemp Judy Moody Megan McDonald Ottoline and the Yellow Cat Chris Riddell

## **Fantasy**

Earth Giant Melvyn Burgess
Angels Unlimited Annie Dalton
The Spiderwick Chronicles Tony Diterlizzi
Groosom Grange Anthony Horowitz
The Owl Tree Jenny Nimmo
Dakota of the White Flats, Kasper in the Glitter, Mercedes Ice,
Scribbleboy Phillip Ridley
Grizzly Tales Nasty Little Beasts James Rix

# **Magical Stories**

Ms Wiz series Terence Blackman Faraway Tree, Wishing Chair Enid Blyton Flat Stanley Jeff Brown My Secret Unicorn Linda Chapman Storm Kevin Crossly-Holland The Strongest Girl in the World, The Boy Who Could fly, The Invisible Boy, The Smallest Girl Ever Sally Gardner Tiara Club Vivian French Pirate Brother, Bug Brother Pete Johnson Rainbow Magic Daisy Meadows The Worst Witch Jill Murphy The Enchanted Horse Magdalen Nabb The Fairy series Gwyneth Rees Araminta Spook series Angie Sage Hugo Pepper Paul Stewart Gobbolina the Witch's Cat Ursula Moray Williams

## **Favourite Authors**

Woof, It Was a Dark and Stormy Night, Ten in a Bed, Giant Baby Allan Ahlberg

Fantastic Mr Fox, Twits, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator, James and the Giant Peach, The BFG Roald Dahl

Bill's New Frock, How to Write Really Badly, Anne Fine
The Hodgeheg, The Sheep Pig Dick King-Smith
Butterfly Lion, Toro, Toro, Farm Boy, Kensuke's Kingdom, Wreck of
Zanzibar Michael Morpurgo
Sleepovers, Cilffhanger, The Lottie Project, Double Act Jacqueline
Wilson

# **School Stories**

The Monster Crisp Guzzler Malorie Blackman Unusual Day Sandi Toksvig The Monster Story Teller Jacqueline Wilson

## **Animal stories**

The Peppermint Pig Nina Bawden
Magic Kitten series Sue Bentley
Sheltie Peter Clover
Puppy Patrol Jenny Dale
Animal Ark Lucy Daniels
Pig in the Middle Sam Llewelyn
Puppy Place series Ellen Miles
Dumb Creatures Jeanne Willis

## **Classics**

Milly Molly Mandy J. L. Brisley
Lizzie Dripping Helen Cresswell
The Iron Man Ted Hughes
Finn Family Moomintroll Tove Jansson
Stig of the Dump Clive King
Pippi Longstocking Astrid Lindgren
Mrs Pepperpot Alf Proysen
Charlotte's Web E. B. White

## **Past**

The Diary of a Medieval Squire/ A Young Elizabethan Actor Moira
Butterfield
The Revolting Rabbles Susan Gates
The Time Travelling Cat Julia Jarman
Tom's Private War G. Leeson
Daisy May Jean Ure
Trouble at the Mill Philip Wooderson

# **Sport**

Justin and the Demon Drop Kick Bernard Ashley
The Team David Bedford
The Big Match / Time Rangers series Rob Childs
Matthew's Goals Michael Hardcastle

# Disability

Private and Confidential Marion Ripley

# Graphic

Star Wars various authors

## Other Cultures

Akimbo Alexander McCall Smith

# Children's Laureate Michael Rosen

**Books** 

You're Thinking about Doughnuts Uncle Billy Being Silly Dog Who Walked with God Poetry Tea in the Sugar Bowl Spider Bought a Bicycle Hard Boiled Legs

## **Poetry**

We Animals Would Like a Word With You John Agard Friendly Matches, Please Mrs Butler Allen Ahlberg Tongue Twisters and Tonsil Twizzlers Paul Cookson Love that Dog Sharon Creech Revolting Rhymes Roald Dahl I Like This Poem Kaye Webb

# Myths and Legends

Orchard Book of Aesop's Fables
Mad Myths Steve Barlow
Tales of the Early World Ted Hughes
Sinbad the Sailor, Greek Myths for Young Children, Adventures of
Robin Hood Marcia Williams