

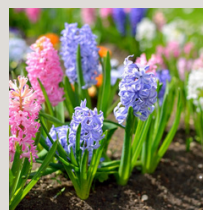


## SWIFT CLASS SPRING 1

Welcome to Spring Term 1 in Swift Class! Wishing you all a very Happy New Year. Swift Class had an excellent start to the year in the Autumn term, and there is so much to look forward to this Spring term, including a visit to Norwich Castle in January where we will be creating our very own magical creatures!



In English in Spring 1, we will be writing quest stories, with a focus on dialogue and character. Our stories will be based around the topic of magical creatures and our learning will be complemented by our trip to Norwich Castle where we will write descriptions about our own magical creatures.



In Maths, we will be learning about multiplication and division, before exploring the topics of time and fractions.



In Science, we will be looking at animals including humans, exploring growth. We will look at what animals and humans need for their survival, what a healthy, balanced diet looks like and the importance of hygiene and exercise.



In Art we will explore monoprinting, and in PSHE we will look at dreams and goals, considering what perseverance means and how we can contribute to and share success. This half term we will be studying History and how the experience of attending school was different in the past.

We will also continue to observe how our class tree, Henry Swift, changes throughout the year for our longitudinal study, and work on some fun, creative activities as part of our learning.



### IMPORTANT DATES AND REMINDERS

- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January - magical creatures trip to Norwich Castle
- Forest School will be on a Tuesday and PE will be on a Monday. We will check reading records and change Big Cat Collins books on a Thursday. Please remember to record when your child reads at home, enabling us to monitor their progress and celebrate their reading achievements. Regular reading, even for a short time each day, really helps to build fluency, vocabulary, confidence and a love of reading.
- Our model text for English for this half term, as well as knowledge organisers for various subjects, will be available on our class page on the school website.
- Please can all school clothes, bottles and any other items be named. Personal belongings and toys should not be brought into school. We have lots of resources available at school to support your children with their learning and regulation.