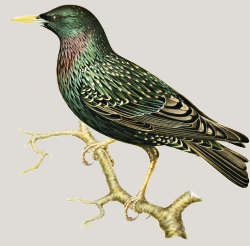




STARLING CLASS SPRING 2



Welcome back to Spring Term 2! The weather is changing and we are looking forward to the excitement of signs of spring and fun filled busy half term ahead of us!



Spring 2 Learning:

This half term our key text is Jack and the Beanstalk. We will be exploring traditional fairy tales, thinking about the castle setting and the characters in the story. We'll also be learning about plants and growing, spotting signs of spring, and noticing how things change at this time of year. We will talk about Easter and learn about its importance.

As part of our learning, we are excited to be visiting Gressenhall, where the children will learn about spring on the farm and have the opportunity to see the animals.

We will also be learning about the artist Andy Goldsworthy, exploring his work and creating our own artwork using natural materials, inspired by the changing season. In PSHE, we will be talking about being healthy, how to look after our bodies, and making healthy choices with food and drinks. Phonics sessions will continue daily; many children will be moving into new groups, starting new stories, and learning more red tricky words and green Fred-talking words.

In Maths, we will be counting up to 15 objects, ordering numbers within 15, and using a guess and check strategy to solve problems. The children will practise counting in equal groups, adding groups together, counting in 1s, 5s and 10s, sharing quantities equally, and finding double and half of numbers up to 10 using practical resources

We look forward to all the learning we will be busy getting up to this half term!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

23RD FEB - RETURN TO SCHOOL.

26TH FEB- FIRST GROUP OF SWIMMING STARTS.

5TH MARCH - WORLD BOOK DAY

17TH MARCH - STARLING CLASS TRIP TO GRESSENHALL.

27TH MARCH- LAST DAY OF TERM

NOTICES AND REMINDERS:

- Please can parents continue to support **reading** with your children 5x a week. Please continue to practise new set 2 sounds and have a go at blending and fred talking words using set 1 and 2 sounds. Can children write a short sentence at home using a capital letter and a full stop at the end.
- **Swimming** will start on **Thursday's** this half term and the first group of children will need to bring their swimming bag to school.
- **Woodland Wanderers** will continue to be on a **Monday** and **PE** will continue to be on a **Friday**.
- Please can **ALL children's clothing and belongings be named and labelled**.