# January 2024



# **Cherry Class Spring 2024**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school and Happy New Year to you all. We hope that you've had a good Christmas break and feel ready to jump into 2024! We would like to say a big thank you for all our lovely gifts and best wishes— we had a good rest too and have been busy planning some exciting work for this term. The following information will explain the plans for Cherry Class over the next two terms.

### Curriculum

We are starting off the year with a Science topic on 'Rocks and fossils' and will also be covering a History topic looking at the Ancient Egyptians .

Our first English unit will be linked to the great fossil hunter Mary Anning. We will be finding out about her life and writing a diary entry.

In Monday's PE lessons we will be inside a dance unit so children will need a full PE kit. We will begin swimming on Wednesday afternoons from next week. Children will need a labelled costume and towel. They can also bring goggles if they would like to. We won't have time for showers unfortunately. Thank you so much to those who are able to come along and help out.

Our RE unit is Sikhism. We are exploring this faith with a focus on sharing. This will be followed by a Christianity unit exploring Salvation.

## **Homework**

All children are expected to read at home at least 5 times a week. It is still important in Key Stage 2 that children read alongside adults so they can improve their fluency and confidence. It will also allow the children to discuss the content of their books in more detail.

English homework will continue to be a mixture of reading comprehension, short writing tasks and a longer project based piece.

Maths homework will be given out on a Tuesday, to be handed in the following Monday.

In addition, the children should be learning times tables and related division facts continually as they work towards improving their results in our termly Multiplication Awards. We encourage them to practice these in anyway they like but Timestables Rockstars is always a favourite. We will be setting a challenge later on this term.

We have Parents' Evenings planned for March, but if you have any questions or concerns before then please don't hesitate to contact us

Thank you for your support Mrs Barratt and Mrs Crichard



### **Communication with Parents**

For the time being you can contact us via email through cherry@woodborough.wilts.sch.uk

# **Key information**

Monday – Indoor PE lesson.
Maths homework returned.
Tuesday — Maths homework
sent out

<u>Wednesday</u> – Swimming lesson. English homework to be completed by today.

<u>Thursday</u> English homework set. <u>Friday</u>—<u>Diaries will be checked</u> for reading.

\* Reading books and diaries needed in school every day please.