



## Star Class News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school! I hope you have all enjoyed a restful break. The children have been sharing all of their adventures today. They have come back full of energy and eager to learn.

This half term the adults working in Star Class will be Mrs Simmons, Miss Key, Mrs Askew, and for the next 4 weeks Miss Holders (BEd Year 2 Initial Teacher Training).

Our topics this half term will include learning about Life Cycles, Mini Beasts, Planting and Growing . As always we will also be following the children's interests. A detailed outline of what we will be covering can be found on the class page.

In terms of reading, children will continue to bring home reading books. We kindly ask that you leave occasional comments on Tapestry to share how your child is engaging with their books. It's crucial that you read with your child for about 10 minutes each day to foster their love for reading.

The Book Changing Days are as follows:

- Monday: Red and Green teams.
- Tuesday: Yellow and Blue teams.

For phonics, we will be starting Level 4 phonics and continuing to embed Level 3 sounds alongside this.

PE will take place on Wednesday mornings, so please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school to facilitate changing. This half term we will be walking to the park to take part in a tennis session.

### **Dates for this Half Term:**

May 5<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday- School is closed.

May 8<sup>th</sup>- School Disco after school.

May 20<sup>th</sup>-Chatsworth Farm Trip- we are very excited about this. Children will get to take part in an interactive animal farm session, have a tractor ride around Chatsworth to spot animals, and have a play in the fantastic adventure playground. We will also find time to feed the goats which the children always really enjoy. If you have any questions please feel free to ask.

23<sup>rd</sup> May- Last day of term.

**Other Information:**

In Little Eaton School, we celebrate each child's birthday by allowing them to wear their own clothes for the day. There is no pressure for them to wear anything other than their uniform if they would prefer. Should their birthday fall during a holiday or on the weekend, they may wear their own clothes on the next school day.

As part of your child's journey through Reception, we encourage teamwork and collaboration. Please send in observations of your child's activities, as it's wonderful to see what they get up to, and it can greatly assist in informing their profile on Tapestry.

A gentle reminder: please ensure that drinks bottles do not go into book bags, as they tend to leak. Additionally, it is important for your child to have a coat at school every day, as we will be playing outdoors whatever the weather brings.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email, or feel free to have a chat after school or through Tapestry.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Warm regards,

Mrs Simmons