

Merlin and Kestrel Class Newsletter - Spring Term 2025

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child back to the Spring Term at Fairfields, and to wish you all a Happy New Year!

Work

We will continue to teach an hour of English and an hour of maths daily in Year 3. In addition, we are also completing 3 sessions of 20 minute slots of 'Maths Fluency'. This is a 'flashback' of previous learning. Guided Reading will be taught as 3 whole class sessions, allowing us to complete 2 SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) lessons each week. As last term, we will give weekly spellings out on a Monday and test them on the following Monday. The weekly spellings can be found on the Parent Information part of the school website. We will be continuing to use Times Table Rock Stars to learn our times tables and SPaG.com as homework.

Please ensure your child brings their reading book and reading record to school every day. Please continue to read both the school reading book and any other texts with your child at home and record this in their record book. Any access children get to fiction and non-fiction books, especially those linked to our school topics, will greatly assist their learning.

Other topics we will be studying this term are:

Science	Light and Forces and Magnets
Computing	iNetwork, e-safety and iData
Art	Working with shape and Colour
D&T	Moving Monsters
Geography	Locational knowledge, France
Music	Three Little Birds and The Dragon Song
RE	Jesus' Miracles, Easter and Forgiveness
PE	Gymnastics and Games - invasion (Volleyball)
PSHCE	Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me
French	Animals and Instruments

Miscellaneous

Please ensure that your child's uniform and PE kit is correctly named. Your child's PE kit **must** contain navy or black shorts, a white T-shirt (Fairfields Logo preferred), a navy or black tracksuit/jumper and socks & trainers. Our PE day is still a Wednesday, so continue to send in your child in their PE kit on this day.

Yours sincerely

Miss L. Cooper, Mrs F. Cooper and Mr W. Weatherhead

Don't forget to check the Parent Info section on <http://www.fairfields.herts.sch.uk/> for weekly ideas on how to support your child's learning across the National Curriculum.