

Elm Class, April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school. Here is the latest curriculum update for Elm Class. Our learning theme for this half term is 'All Creatures Great and Small' Attached you will find the topic web which provides an overview of intended learning opportunities.

Key information and dates are provided in the letter below but do not hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns. The best time is at the end of the day, so if you would like to make an appointment to see me after school please contact the school office or drop me a note in the morning in order to arrange a time.

Best Wishes
Mrs Hore

P.E. / Marvellous Moat Sessions

P.E. Lessons and Moat will continue to be on Friday. As the weather improves, the majority of P.E. lessons will take place outside. Please ensure that the children are wearing plimsolls or trainers in addition to their usual P.E. kit of a red t-shirt and navy/black shorts. It is also important that the children have a water bottle and a sun hat as it gets warmer to keep them safe from the sun.

WOW Cards and Tapestry

Thank you so much for sharing your child's achievements by sending in WOW cards and contributing to their Tapestry Learning Journals. These contributions help me to know your children even better and the children love to celebrate their achievements with their friends. Please continue to do this.

Home Learning

Literacy:

Each week children will continue to bring home a practise reading book (at the phonics level that is appropriate for each child), and a sharing book which the children choose for themselves. There are also additional e-readers available on Phonics Bug Club. Daily reading for at least ten minutes is recommended.

Maths:

The children have access to online learning program 'Mathletics' to practise their maths skills.

To increase their mathematical fluency it would be good to practise subitising. It is recognising amounts without counting, using what they know about number. Here is an article explaining this further:

<https://nrich.maths.org/14004>

Other Areas of Learning:

I will send out weekly updates to share our learning with some ideas of things you could do at home to support this.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 26th April – History off the page – Life in a
Fairy Tale Castle

Wednesday 18th May – Visit to South Angle Farm (more
info to follow)