



Otters Class Newsletter - Autumn 2



Important Information

- **Contact**- Our class email is otters@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk. This email will be checked during school hours. We will endeavour to answer all emails as swiftly as possible.
- **Water bottles and snacks** – Children should bring a reusable, named water bottle to school every day. A reminder that snacks at break time should be healthy snacks.
- **Bags** – Children should bring any items needed in a draw string bag or book bag. Cloakroom space is limited and therefore large bags should no longer be brought into school.
- **P.E** – Y4 PE will take place on a **Tuesday**, children will need to come to school in their PE kit. Swimming will take place on **Thursday**, and pupils will long hair must tie it back. Earrings/ piercings are not advised.
- **Spellings** – these are tested weekly, on a Friday. We recommend that children continue to use Spelling Shed to practise their spellings.
- **Boom Reader** - Reads at home should be recorded on Boom Reader. If a child reads 4 times or more a week, they will receive an extra 5 minutes of break.
- **Inhalers/medication** – if your child has any medication, such as inhaler, please ensure that we are made aware of this. Children who require an inhaler should bring one that is labelled and can remain at school.
- Our focus value this half term is '**Resilience**'. We will have focussed assemblies and class time to consider what resilience is, how we can be resilient and what respect may look like in both our school and the wider community.

Learning we will be getting up to this term...

Maths: Addition and subtraction, Area, Multiplication & Division

English: Persuasive brochures, non-chronological reports on human body.

Science: Living Things & their Habitats, and Teeth & Eating

Art: Line, Shape & Sound, and Landscapes

Geography: Europe

R.E: The Journey of Life & Death & Pilgrimages

P.E: Swimming, Dance

P.S.H.E: Valuing Difference

Music: Body and tuned percussion

Spanish: Presenting myself

Home Learning

Children should prioritise reading at home as well as practicing their times tables on TT Rockstars. Children will also need to practice their spellings weekly. To support this, children can play on Spelling Shed at home.

Children's login details for Spelling Shed, Boom Reader and TT Rockstars will be sent out separately. If you need any support with these please let us know.

Home learning suggestions:

- Create a poster of all the science you use / see at home
- Find some poetry books and discover types you like.
- Create some ancient Egyptian architecture such as pyramids, the Sphinx or obelisks.
- Practise drawing lines or how music might look as an image.
- Think about how to use the internet safely at home.

Otters Teaching Timetable – Autumn 2 2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Gate Session 1 8.35-9:00	ARITHMETIC MORNING ACTIVITY	ARITHMETIC MORNING ACTIVITY	ARITHMETIC MORNING ACTIVITY	ARITHMETIC MORNING ACTIVITY	ARITHMETIC MORNING ACTIVITY
9:00 – 9:30	READING	READING	READING	READING	READING
9:30 – 10:30	WRITING	WRITING	WRITING	SPELLING	WRITING Spelling Test
Break - 10.30-10.45					
Session 2 10.45-11:00	CLASS NOVEL	CLASS NOVEL	CLASS NOVEL	CLASS NOVEL	CLASS NOVEL HANDWRITING
11:00 – 12:00	MATHS	MATHS	MATHS	MATHS	MATHS (Arithmetic)
Lunch - 12.00-13.00					
Session 3 13.00-14.00	OPAL Assembly 13.00-13.15	P.E	GEOGRAPHY	SPANISH SWIMMING	MUSIC
	SCIENCE				
Session 4 14.00-15.00	SCIENCE	P.S.H.E	R.E	SWIMMING	ART
15.00-15.20		Whole School Assembly	Class Assembly		Whole School Assembly

Spelling test is on Friday.