

## Falcon Class



Welcome to Falcon Class.

The class is taught by Mrs McGill and pupils are supported by Mrs Hardie (Falcon Class TA). In some sessions they may be supported by Mrs Norris, Mrs Jarvis-Baker, Mrs Elsdon and/or Mrs Shepherd (all TA's within the UKS2 family).

### Our Working Week

#### *Daily routines...*

Everyday Falcon class enjoy the following

- ✓ Whole School Worship
- ✓ Priority Time – focussed daily activities to support learning. This term we are focusing on securing our understanding of maths concepts.
- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Guided Reading carousel (Free read Friday)
- ✓ Daily Mile (if not a PE session day)

#### *Weekly routines ...*

- ✓ Afternoon lessons will focus on our theme-based and creative learning
- ✓ RE is taught in Year groups so the Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will be taught in different sessions. RE is taught by Mrs Fitter.
- ✓ The Science Curriculum is different for Year 5 and 6, so will be taught by Mrs McGill when the other year group has RE.

#### *PE days are as follows...*

Tuesdays and Wednesdays but as we aim to be as active as possible we often add in other sessions through the week. PE kit should be in school all week.

We will be outside as much as possible, so a base layer, skins or pair of joggers for outside PE in the colder weather would be a useful addition to the kit. Trainers are also preferable for our outside sessions as they provide more support than plimsolls.

Indoor PE/dance in the hall/studio just requires t-shirt in team colour, shorts and plimsolls for active indoor games. Gymnastics and dance are usually barefoot.

Girls should remember to keep an extra pair of sports socks in their bag in case they are wearing tights on a PE day.

### Furthering our Learning

#### *Home Learning and Spellings...*

Home learning challenges are set for the Year 5s and Year 6s will have weekly worksheets consolidating learning.

- Thursday – ‘Home Learning’ hand in day -one piece of home learning needs to be handed in each Thursday.
- Friday - ‘Home Learning’ returned to children and shared in class

Home learning is expected to be of a high standard, both in content and presentation. If home learning isn't handed in, resources and support will be given on a Friday afternoon for completion during Golden Time.

**Spellings** – in Falcon class we spend our spelling sessions looking at spelling rules, roots of words rather than learning a set of words for a weekly spelling test.

Golden Time is the reward time for all those who have completed all their learning and maintained expected behaviour throughout the week.

### *Reading...*



Reading – we are aiming for independent, avid readers and so the children are given greater freedom to choose a book that engages them. They should be aiming to read a range of genres.

We have a Free Read Friday - they can read anything of their choosing (non-fiction, fiction, graphic novel, comic)

In our adult-led Guided reading sessions we are working on inference and deduction skills across a range of texts. The focus of KS2 is understanding of the text not simply the ability to read the words.

### *Library Visit...*

Once a term Falcon class have the opportunity to visit Strood Library. If you have books to return in the meantime, please return them to the school and we will ensure they are returned.



### *Class Rewards*

We use Class Dojo points in class to reward children for positive behaviours, focus in lessons, completing exceptional work, challenging themselves to improve their learning, home learning completion, completion of Athletics, being helpful, kindness etc. At the end of the term the children with the most points are rewarded by a dip in the prize box.

### *Active Learning...*



Here at Wouldham All Saints, we embrace all things active! We enjoy the Daily Mile, Active Maths of the day, swimming, Forest School at Ashenbank Wood, as well as a variety of indoor and outdoor sports during PE lessons.