## **Starling Class**



Hello and welcome to Starling Class! We are enthusiastic and always work to the best of our ability, ensuring we try hard to display the 'Fruits of the Spirit' in all that we do. Mrs Jones teaches the class on a Monday and Tuesday and by Mrs. Kerbey on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Class assistants Mrs. Baldwin and Mrs. Gammon also support the children.

#### This Term's Theme



This term our theme is 'Out of this world'. We will be blasting the theme off with a visit from The Astronomy Road Show as well as holding a Space Theme Day further into the term. Children will be finding out about space travel through their study of famous astronauts and they will have the opportunity to explore space poetry as well as design and make their own moon buggies.

#### Our working Week

#### Daily routines ...

Everyday Starling class enjoy the following

- ✓ Whole School Worship
- Priority Time This term our focus is spelling, punctuation and grammar!
- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Guided Reading carousel
- ✓ Daily Mile

### PE days are as follows...

- Monday Outdoor Games (Please ensure your child has suitable, named clothing and tracksuit bottoms for Winter)
- Thursday indoor gymnastics. Please ensure any earrings are left at home on these days if your child is unable to remove them independently.



# Furthering our Learning

## Home Learning and Spellings...



- Home learning challenges can be handed in any day. They can be handed in after each activity or when they have all been completed.
- Friday = Spelling challenge and new spellings given out

## Reading...



Reading is one of the most important things you can do with your child and this should be done daily. Remember to fill in the contact book each time your child has been listened to. Make reading interactive by asking questions about the story as well as making predictions about what is going to happen next.

We encourage children to bring their reading books and reading records into class every morning as this will enable us to see how often they read as well as reply to any notes you may have written. Children will have a set day to read to the class teacher, which will be recorded on the front of their record book, please ensure your child has brings their book on this day. Pupils will have the opportunity to change their reading book during their teacher session.

# Library Visit...

Once a term Starling class have the opportunity to visit Strood library. Our next Library Visit is on

Wednesday 9th January.



# Reading Lego Brick Challenge...

This term we are continuing with our class reading reward scheme. If children read 3 times in a week they will receive a 'Lego brick' on our display. When they have 3 'Lego bricks' they will gain a 'golden brick'. When they have 2 golden bricks they will receive a prize. Please ensure you have written in their book 3 times during the week so we can see that they have met the challenge.



### 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 learning, as well as a variety of indoor and outdoor sports during PE lessons. We frequently use the BBC Super Movers website to support the children with their English and Maths. This is an exciting and active way to implement learning that you may wish to continue with at home, go to https://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/football/supermovers and click on KS1 resources to check it out!