



# The Wonderful Whales News

By Miss Jarvis and Miss Kirkham

## Spring 2 Newsletter

### Welcome back Wonderful Whales

I hope you enjoyed some family time during the half term break. We are happy to be back and it has been lovely to see some signs that spring is coming, including the sunshine! The Whales have made an excellent start to their new topics this half term and we are excited to continue our learning over the next few weeks. Please see the other side of this letter to read about some of the learning that will be taking place over the next few weeks.

Just a note to say your support at home is extremely valuable, which will include reading with your child and supporting your child with any work sent home. If you have any questions or need any support please do not hesitate to get in touch, or I am free at the end of school days if you have any queries.

Thank you,  
Miss Jarvis

### Phonics Screening Check

As some of you may already know, the Year 1 children will be taking a phonics screening check during the week of 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Please try to avoid booking any holidays during this week to ensure that your child will be in school for the check. We will be holding a meeting after the Easter holidays to give parents some more information, please look out for this on letters and emails. Many thanks.

### Physical Education

This half term, Year 1 PE sessions will now take place on a **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school on these days. To ensure that lost clothing can be returned, we ask that all items are clearly labelled with your child's name. Our Friday PE sessions will be outside so please ensure your child is dressed appropriately with plain blue jogging bottoms and long sleeved top.

### Reading

Reading is an incredibly important part of a child's learning as it supports them in many areas of the curriculum. It is therefore, really important that children get the opportunity to read as much as possible in and out of school. We also ask that you could support us in this and read with your child at home as much as possible. Once you have read with your child please remember to write in your child's orange book.

Thankyou.

### We appreciate all your support and help.

In the Wonderful Whales we are always eager for volunteers to come in and help in the classroom. If you could spare any time during the school week to come into school and help we would greatly appreciate it. If you are interested please come into class to speak to a member of the Wonderful Whales team. This will also be extremely appreciated on school trips. If you are free to volunteer on any of the up and coming trips then please let us know.

Thankyou.

### School attendance matters.

As you are all aware regular attendance is vital and at our school we celebrate excellent attendance.

Our target is 96%. The Whales are very eager to win this prize so please can you ensure your child comes to school everyday and on time.

Thank you.

### Dates to remember

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**-World Book day all children welcome to dress up

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March** - Mother's Day service in Church

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March** - Year 1 pupil progress meetings & Easter Parade

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - Easter Service in Church at 9.15pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - School closes at 2pm