

## Tiger Class Newsletter

### Tiger Class Staff



Mr Wheeler- Class Teacher



Mrs Hatcher- Intervention and support



Mrs Wilson – Teaching Assistant (TA) & Higher Level TA



Mrs Ford – One-to-one and TA

### Timetable

The class is taught by myself every day and I am available to parents every morning from 8:40am. On a Wednesday and Friday afternoon I have my management and preparation time, so Mrs Wilson covers these afternoons. All planning and assessment for Tigers is completed by me.

### Curriculum

All YR children follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework and all Y1 & 2 children follow the National Curriculum. Foundation subjects (History, Geography etc:) are planned over a two year rolling programme which means all children will be taught the full curriculum over KS1.

The children are taught in small groups which ensures their needs are fully met. We plan and differentiate lessons to accommodate the stage that each child is at. At any one time there are two adult led groups working and the other children will be doing independent tasks or continuous learning, over seen by a third adult.

### Spellings and Homework

#### Reception

In Reception children bring home the phonic sheets for the sounds they have learnt that week. Please let your child practise these with you, letting them teach you the actions, repeating the sound and spotting the sound in words. They also need to practise their letter formation using these sheets and have a go at reading the words. Doing a few minutes of phonic practise at home regularly will pay dividends and ensure your child consolidates their learning and makes good progress.

Initially children are invited to take picture books home that can be shared and talked about with an adult. Ask your child questions such as 'What's happening?' 'How do you think he/she feels?' 'What

do you think will happen next?' etc. As children progress with their reading they will start to bring home the graded reading books (colour banded) that can be found in Tiger Class. We will let you know when this will begin and as children all develop their reading skills at different rates, it may be that your child starts using these at a different time to others.

### **Year 1/ Year 2**

All children now have their spelling books. Your child needs to practise these at home and they will be tested on a Thursday. Please check which spellings they have got correct and any incorrect spellings should be practised again. Children also have their levelled reading books in school each day.

Homework is used to consolidate what the children have been learning in class. Children won't always receive additional homework but when they do, it will be issued on a Friday and they will be given a week to complete it. Wherever possible, we encourage children to use their learning in real life contexts, so any number games, money handling and/or writing opportunities you can provide at home will support them on their learning journey.

### **P.E. & Sports**

PE/sport days are Monday & Thursday; however, we ask that kits stay in school all week in case they are needed at other times of the week.

Many thanks for your continued support with your child's learning. If you have any questions or queries at any time, please do not hesitate to speak to me or make an appointment. My school email is [jwheater@carletonrode-primary.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:jwheater@carletonrode-primary.norfolk.sch.uk) but if an issue is pressing, it is best to phone or see me in person as I do not check my school email during the school day.

Best wishes,

Mr Wheeler