

# Langley Fitzurse

## Church of England Primary School



Middle Common, Kington Langley, Wiltshire SN15 5NN

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Karen Winterburn

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Chameleon Class and our first newsletter of the year.

The teaching team in Chameleon has changed a little again this year. With Mrs A Flynn currently poorly and off school, Mr Miles, who last year was working a day in Phoenix class, has joined us. He will be teaching on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. Mr Osler is teaching Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Mrs Rachael Flynn continues to support as the regular teaching assistant across the week. In addition, we will have Mrs Tayler working in our class at varying times during the week.

We have a 'meet the teacher' session on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 3.20pm if you would like to come and have a chat with us to find out more about Chameleon Class.

As part of our four-year rolling programme of topics over KS2, for history, we will be studying Ancient Greece. As you already know, the whole school celebrated being back to school with an Olympic-themed day – ancient Greece being where the Olympics originated. We also plan to visit Bristol museum as well as hold an Ancient Greek dress up day in term 1. Both these experiences will undoubtedly be enriching for the children - more details will follow shortly. Art lessons will also be exploring Ancient Greek pottery and mosaics. The Science topic this term is Light and will involve learning about how light travels, reflections and how the eye works.

### **A few things to remember:**

PE – Monday and Wednesday afternoons – Please wear PE kits to school on both days.

Water bottles, bags and coats – Please ensure these are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Snack – Please provide your child with a healthy snack that they can have over morning break.

Reading – As you know, regular reading is vitally important to promote learning. Reading at home has to be part of this process, and it doubles as a pleasurable experience. We expect your child to read at home at least four times a week and we would like you to record this in their reading record. We do monitor their reading records at the end of each week, and reward those who regularly achieve, or exceed, four times a week. We also encourage you to find times to read to your child and to demonstrate your own love of reading, just as we do in school.

Home learning – We are currently reviewing our Homework offer and will be communicating more about this over the start of this term.

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Please continue to use TTRockstars, Numbots and various other resources including the 'Hit the Button' Maths activities on the Top Marks website.

We recognise that most of the home learning requires an electronic device of some sort. If this is an issue, please let us know and we will see if/how the school can support you.

Class contact – If you have any concerns or issues, please do not hesitate to contact us. If you have a quick question or comment, grab us at the school gate but if you want a longer conversation, please email the school office so we can organise a meeting or phone call as necessary.

We very much look forward to an exciting and productive year ahead.

Best Wishes from the Chameleon Team

Mr Miles, Mrs R Flynn, Mrs A Tayler and Mr Osler

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