



# CHAMELEON CLASS

**Learning Theme: Space – The Final Frontier**

## Chameleon Newsletter Autumn 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Chameleon class for our year 5 families and welcome back to our year 6s! I hope that you had a restful summer break. The new year 5 children have already begun to settle in to life in Chameleon, and I know that the new year 6 children are very excited to take on their new privileges this year. I can't wait for another super year!

### Topic

Our first topic this year is **Space – The Final Frontier**. We have lots of exciting learning planned, including a visit from the Space Dome and a fantastic whole school project around the class constellation names, which involves carving wood!

Over the first term, our whole school value is **friendship**. We will be exploring what this means and looks like during our collective worship time and PSHE sessions. Please see the attached curriculum map for more detail on the autumn term programme of study.

### Home learning:

In Chameleon class, the children are expected to take full responsibility for their weekly home learning. Please encourage them to approach me themselves (before the day it is due!) if they feel unsure or are struggling with their home learning – this is great preparation for secondary school.

### **Set and due on Mondays:**

Mathletics tasks and 20 minutes of TTrackstars.

### **Set and due on Fridays:**

Tasks from their SPaG books, and four reads recorded in their reading record (signed by an adult).

### Reading:

While lots of Chameleon children are able to read independently, it continues to be important that they read to an adult regularly at home as well as in school. This gives them the chance to discuss a text and learn new vocabulary. Research has shown that children who read regularly with an adult at home make more academic progress than their peers who do not.

### Equipment

The children will have PE every **Wednesday and Thursday**, and should come to school in their PE kits on these days. Please also ensure that children have a named water bottle in school with them every day and a coat so that we can make the most of our outdoor space.

If you need to discuss anything, please don't hesitate to find me at the school gates or get in touch via email: [chameleon@langleyfitzurse.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:chameleon@langleyfitzurse.wilts.sch.uk).

Thank you!

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