

# WEST LYNN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## EYFS Curriculum Newsletter - Spring 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas break. Well done to all the children for settling back in so quickly after the holiday.

This term our learning will be focussed around the topics of Dinosaurs and Space.

### Foundation Stage curriculum

**Personal Social and Emotional Development:** We will continue to develop our social skills, as we learn together. We will also be adjusting to new routines and environments, as we begin PE lessons in the hall, and join in with whole school assemblies on a Friday.

**Communication and Language:** We will be developing our understanding and vocabulary through the use of stories and story telling. We will be asking and answering questions about stories we have read, and making up our own tales too.

**Literacy and phonics:** We are reading and sharing stories with others through guided reading sessions, and continuing our phonics learning by looking at sounds with 2 and 3 letters in them.

**Mathematics:** We will be counting numbers to 20 and beyond, and adding and taking away single digit numbers, learning to record number sentences too.

**Understanding the World:** Our topics this term will support our learning about similarities and differences, patterns and change. We can compare different dinosaurs with creatures that live today, and look at how where we live looks different to other planets in our solar system.

**Expressive Arts and Design:** We continue to have lots of opportunities to be creative within our learning environment - with the recent addition this term of a sewing area. We can sit quietly in this area, weaving and learning to thread a needle. As our skills develop, we will be able to design and make our own small projects.

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### **PE kits**

If you have not already returned your child's PE kit to school, please do so over the next couple of weeks, so we can be prepared for our first session in the hall.

### **Cold, wet weather**

The children really enjoy being outside in all weathers. Hats, gloves and scarves are important at this time of year - named please so they don't get lost! If your child has wellies they can leave in school, or a set of waterproofs they could wear for outside play, it would be greatly appreciated.

### **Star of the Day**

This term we have introduced Star of the Day, which the children are really enjoying. The Star of the Day has certain privileges and responsibilities, such as taking the register and choosing the Star for tomorrow! We are also using this as a great opportunity for speaking and listening, and building self esteem, as children have the opportunity to give the Star a complement at the end of the day. The Star of the Day is chosen at random, so everyone in the class has a turn, before we start over again.

### **Class assembly**

It will soon be our turn to showcase our learning in a class assembly! Look out for more information on the school newsletter.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child's school experiences, please come and speak to your child's Key Worker or Mrs Kosecki.

Best wishes,

Mrs Kosecki (EYFS teacher)