



Wolterton newsletter Autumn 1

Welcome back! We hope you have had a fantastic Summer and are ready for the new term. Our first topic will be 'Magic!' During our science and topic lessons we will be exploring the secrets behind different tricks and trying to develop our own. In English we will be caught up in the magic of fairy tales, potions and poetry. In Maths, we want to become 'mathematicians' and will be developing our understanding of number to help us astound others with our magical ability! If children would like to learn a trick at home, we would love to see it! We would like to share our tricks and illusions with you with a Magical Extravaganza on **Wednesday 2nd November**.

Swimming will be on **Wednesdays**. Children need a swimming costume/trunks and a towel (and goggles if they have them.) Our PE session will be on **Wednesdays** (for children who aren't swimming) **and Thursdays**. We advise the children bring their kits in on Mondays and leave them in school until Friday. Please ensure long hair is tied back and earrings are out for swimming and PE. If they would like to go on the field at lunch and break times they will need outside trainers to change into.

At home, we would like the children to read regularly and record this in their planners. Although many of them are becoming more fluent readers, it can still be beneficial to read with them, discussing the plot, characters and their opinions about what they are reading. We are really interested in what they enjoy reading and would like them to recommend any good books they read to the rest of the class. This term we would like the children to complete topic homework. They will receive a sheet with optional activities and can choose which ones they wish to do (for which they will be rewarded generously with points and merits!) There will also be weekly spelling homework. We use the website 'My maths' in school which children can access at home. There are some great games which can help them improve their fluency and understanding in a fun and engaging way. (Username: holtprim Password: circle) Please sign your child's homework diary after discussing their homework and reading and they will be checked and signed in school on Wednesdays.

We would like to keep you updated with our activities and send messages and reminders using the class story section on the Class Dojo website or app. If you logged on last year, this will still be valid. If you have not done so, and would like to, please let us know and we can get this set up. Only parents connected to our class can see this and we ask that no photos are copied to any social media sites.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to one of us.

Mrs Haynes and Mrs Cole