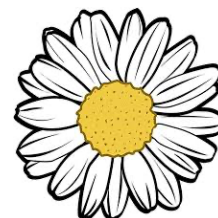




Daisy Class: Spring Term 2025



Welcome to 2025! We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful festive period with family and friends and feel refreshed for the terms ahead...

Timetables

Individual timetables for each child will be emailed home shortly. These show where your child will be learning for each subject. Please note that if your child is taking part in swimming lessons, they will not be taking part in Forest School for those terms. So, for Terms 3 and 4, Year 4 will be swimming and will **not** have Forest School on Fridays. If you have any questions, please do ask us.

Daily Routine

Each morning, McGinty children are all invited to play on the playground from 8:30 until 8:45. When the main gates open at 8:45, all children should enter school via the Key Stage 2 playground door, not the door to Daisy Classroom. This makes it easier for children to hang up their lunchboxes and belongings on the way down to class. They will then enter Daisy Class ready for early morning activities and registration.

Important Information to Note

- PE days are as follows:

Y4 - Monday (swimming) and Friday	Y5 - Monday	Y6 - Monday
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On inclusion PE days, please send the children into school wearing their full PE kit.

- Art and DT will be taught in the mainstream classes, as a block each term rather than weekly lessons. This will happen in the second to last week of each term. We will send more information nearer the time.

General Information

- On Forest School days, please send the children in **wearing PE kit** (jogging bottoms/leggings) and their school jumper/hoodie. They will also need an old jumper, waterproofs and wellies to go out to Forest School. School jumpers will not be worn in the woods.
- Ms Steele, our Speech and Language Therapist, will be in school on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Our class email address is a helpful way to contact us if you have any questions: daisyteacher@west-malling.kent.sch.uk. Please note that we are often not able to check this until lunchtime or after school, so urgent messages should be sent via the school office.

Staff

- Mrs Ray (Mon, Tues, Wed)
- Miss Crann (all week)
- Miss Beadle (Mon, Tues, Wed)
- Mr White (Mon, Tues)
- Mrs Reeves (Thurs, Fri)
- Mrs Savage (afternoons, except Thurs)
- Miss Chapman (Wed, Thurs, Fri)
- Mrs Denby (Wed, Thurs, Fri)

Many thanks,
Mrs Ray and Mrs Reeves

Home Learning

Thank you for your support so far with your child's home learning - it makes such a difference when the children are regularly engaged in activities at home.

PLEASE SEND HOME LEARNING BOOKS INTO SCHOOL EVERY MONDAY.

Expected Activities

These activities need to be completed on a regular basis, as detailed in each box in **bold**.

<u>Reading</u> should be completed daily and recorded in the Home Learning book. Books will be changed in school as required - bring them in to change when you are ready to, no set day. You can read a book from school or one you have at home. Every read counts and you will earn: 20 reads = bronze certificate 40 reads = silver certificate 60 reads = gold certificate Then every 10 reads after = 1 raffle ticket for our Easter grand prize draw!	<u>Maths</u> (TTRockstars) should be recorded each time it is completed (ideally, daily) on the sheet enclosed in the Home Learning Book. We are focusing on multiplication for the next term, so building knowledge of times tables will be really important to success. Times tables can be practised on TTRockstars, Top Marks, Mathsframe, a deck of cards - repetition is key! Children can also still login to Mathletics for other activities, should they wish.
<u>Nessy</u> should be practised for a minimum of 20 minutes twice per week. The Nessy programme will periodically reassess you to find out which phonic sounds and spelling rules you need to practise. So make sure that when it asks you to do an activity without help, you do your best on your own so that Nessy can set the best games and activities for you!	<u>Vocabulary</u> - Key words from your child's learning will be stuck in the Home Learning Book for the term. Please choose 2-3 of these words each week to practise using - saying them aloud, in a sentence and writing them in a sentence in their book. eg. <i>Synagogue</i> 1. Say it out loud, clap the syllables 2. Say it in a sentence: A synagogue is where Jews worship. 3. Write the sentence in their book

Additional Home Learning

<u>Walk on the Wild Side for Weekend News</u> - Suggestions of outdoor activities that can be enjoyed as a family over the course of the term can be found on the link below. There is no obligation to do these but spending quality time in nature has huge benefits to mental health and wellbeing. https://www.forestryengland.uk/blog/10-low-cost-family-fun-ideas-winter We would love to hear about your adventures in your Home Learning Book - or send photos to our class email address to share with the children. Please feel free to use the Home Learning Book for any other learning or practise that you take part in at home.
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