



Netherfield Primary School Year 1

**PAWS, CLAWS
AND WHISKERS**



READING

Reading at home is important for your child's reading development and progress. We have noticed a drop off in reading at home recently and as a result an impact on children's progress. We cannot emphasise enough the importance of regular practise—just 10 mins daily has a huge impact on your child's ability and confidence.

Please ask the team if you would like some support with this.

[Our Reading Olympics celebrate children's reading](#)

BRONZE 15 home reads **SILVER** 25 home reads **GOLD** 40 home
RUBY 70 home reads **DIAMOND** 100 home reads



Spring
Term



PROJECT

Our Spring topics are 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' and 'Under the Sea'. In both topics we will learn about different animals and animal families. In spring 1 our art will be based around Steve Brown and the use of colour as well as learning about how weather affects animals as well as us! In spring 2 we venture under the sea and investigate which seas are around the UK, how we can protect them and why oceans are so important.

Watch this space for news of a trip!

PE

Our PE lessons are on a Thursday morning and are taught by Mr Humphreys and Miss Swift. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit including appropriate footwear. Children are NOT allowed to wear earrings or jewellery for PE. If earrings can't be removed they must be covered by plasters. Thank you.

Dates for your diary

Wed 15th Jan School Disco
Thursday 13th February children break up
14th February – Inset day for staff, school closed
Mon 24th Feb Back to school
25th & 26th Feb Parents Evenings
Thurs 6th March World Book Day
Mon 17th March School Photo Day
Friday 4th April Break up for Easter (return **Tues 22nd April**)



Dojo points and the school shop!

Each term we visit the school shop and children get to spend their points if they wish (or save for a bigger item!) Children get points for lots of things. However, one of the **EASIEST ways** to build up points is to do a home work project and **record reads in diaries**. Some children are earning 100 points a term as a result!

ENGLISH

Our daily writing sessions are linked to our projects and we aim to do a variety of texts, stories, non fiction and poetry. Spellings are set each week and we will test the children every week on a Friday. We have four sessions of Whole Class Reading, where we share a text together and explore its vocabulary and meaning. We have daily story time sessions. We LOVE stories and are always reading books!

STAFF IN CLASS 1 & 2

Class 1

Miss Sentance is the class teacher.
Teaching assistants are Mrs Walsh (Tues-Thurs)
Mrs Tomlinson (Mon & Fri)
Learning mentors are: Miss Lee (am) and Mrs Roopesh (pm)

Class 2

Class teachers are:
Mrs Rodgers - Monday Miss Mulligan - Tuesday to Friday
Teaching assistant is Miss Atherton Mon - Fri
Learning mentors: Miss Dudley, Mrs Roopesh (am)
Mrs Rogers & Mrs Croll (pm)

MATHS

In our daily maths sessions this term we will be learning about place value to 20 then 50, addition and subtraction within 20 and measures including length. Maths homework is given once a week on a Friday. **In addition, 8.45-9am** is time for 'Morning Maths' where children practise previously taught skills. **If your child arrives on time then they will have 75 mins extra practise in maths a week - and it all counts!** Please arrive on time to give them this chance. Thank you.