

Autumn Term

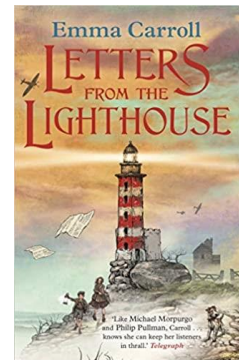
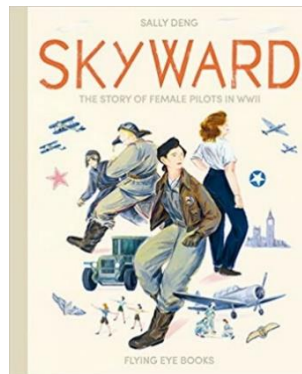
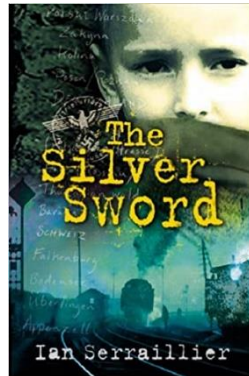
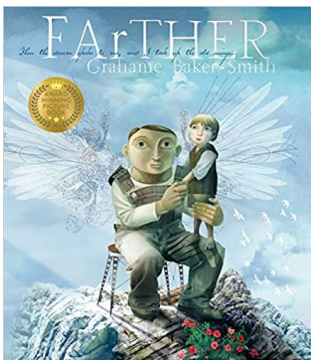


Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I can't tell you how lovely it was to see everyone last week. The children were fabulous and slotted into the new routines following all the procedures to keep us safe. I hope you all had a chance to enjoy the summer holiday and are fully rested after home schooling and in preparation for the long, busy and hard-working term ahead. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you not only for all your hard work last term but also for your good wishes, messages, pictures, cards and gifts at the end of term – after an unusual term they were very much appreciated. Thank you!

English

A big emphasis is being placed on exposing children to lots of reading experiences this term. Children will read their own book every morning on arrival to school, within current guidance we are not allowed to let books go to and from home and school on a daily basis, so these books will stay at school. Alongside this we will have class story time where either I will read to the class or we will listen to audible too. Throughout English lessons this term we will be reading from the following books and using this as a writing stimulus. They are all themed around World War 2 which I know some of the children are really keen on!



Recommended reading list:

These are all available from school and children will be able to choose to read these in class. Please remember the Suffolk library service for accessing these at home... we will share the list with Clare library so that they can stock up on them.

- The Girl of Ink and Stars** – Kiran Millwood Hargrave
- Little Foxes** – Michael Morpurgo
- Nevermore The Trials of Morrigan Crow** – Jessica Townsend
- Kick** – Mitch Johnson
- To the Edge of the World** – Julia Green
- The Song from Somewhere Else** – A F Harold
- Song of the Dolphin Boy** – Elizabeth Laird
- Cogheart** – Peter Bunzl
- The Spy Master** – Jan Burchett
- First Light** – Rebecca Stead

Maths

We will continue to practice times tables up to x12 to help with children's mathematical fluency. Please encourage your child to continue daily practice on TTRS. As in year 5 we will have weekly arithmetic lessons where we practice strategies and apply methods learnt in a test situation.

Other topics covered this term will be the following:

- Place value

Formal methods of:

- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division

Calculating with:

- Fractions

Much of this work builds on maths covered in year 5. To support the maths learning at school there will be a weekly homework task set on showbie.

Homework

TTRS – practice on line

Spelling shed – practice on line

English task – completed on Showbie

Maths task – completed on Showbie

The English and Maths tasks will be **set on a Thursday** and children will have a week to complete this and some tasks will be self marked (this can be either by yourself or your child) – look out for the answers too! If your child needs help with homework we will always help them - providing that they have had a go first! Children should ask an adult in class for help if they need it. A good habit to get in to would be to look at the task set on the Thursday and then ask for help on the Friday if needed. Please don't let homework become a source of stress and arguments at home – contact me for help if needed.

Other subjects at a glance:

Science	Living things in their habitats – Classification Light
Geography	Comparison study of UK and Europe with America
History	Migration Study - Windrush
Art and DT	Drawing, craft painting and appreciation Mechanical toys Menus

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Walking to and from school

As it is their last year at Primary School many parents choose to start to prepare their child for secondary school routines in allowing their child to walk home on their own or walk to the MSC hall to meet you. If that is the case please can you just email or send a note in to give permission for them to leave school without an adult. Alongside this, some parents wish their child to have a phone with them as they do this. If you choose to send your child to school with a phone then your child needs to hand it to the teacher on arrival for it to be kept safe and they will be given out at the end of the day for the child to turn on and use as they leave the school premises.

Final Notices!

PE day is Wednesday and Year 6 will have a **double PE session all afternoon** – One session with the PE coach and one with myself. Please note that all PE kit must conform to the uniform policy. Earrings are to be removed or not to be worn on PE days and long hair needs to be tied back.

Daily Walk

We are currently walking a mile a day – whatever the weather! In addition to this we are using the field at break times and lunch time. Please can you ensure that your child **has a coat** and either **shoes / wellies that can get muddy or if that is their school shoes- indoor shoes** that they can change in to when coming back into school.

If you have any queries, concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to ask - email htyzack@wickhambrookschool.co.uk or send a dojo message and I will either reply or give you a ring.

I hope that this year will be an exciting, enriching and rewarding year for everybody in Foxes Class and I very much hope that you will join us in helping to make this happen.
Best wishes and thank you in anticipation for all your support,

Hannah Tyzack

Foxes Class teacher
Assistant Head Teacher

