



Wednesday 4th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Celebrations!**

It has been lovely to see you all at celebration assemblies over the last year, helping us celebrate your children's amazing achievements. Thank you very much for coming and sharing this special time with us.

In this academic year, we are going to make these celebrations even more exciting. The celebration assemblies are going to centre on 'battles' between classes where they compete against each other either in maths through TT RockStars or through our new spelling app: Spelling Shed. Both these apps can be used at home and children will be chosen to represent their classes according to how much time they spend practicing! There are many advantages to this change. It will show the children how much the school values their independent learning, and it will encourage them to improve their spelling and mathematics skills.

Some of the younger children may not yet have reached the stage where they can access this type of challenge. For our children in Reception, and earlier on in Y1, we will use more active games for them to show their skills.

Because the battles are pre-planned, we can tell you now when the different classes will play against each other so you can plan when to come in and see these exciting events (plan attached). We will also put these on the website calendar for your information. I can tell you already that the children absolutely love these battles and get very excited so the atmosphere in these assemblies will be electric!

The school understands how much you value the certificates that your children are awarded for doing something 'over and above' in their learning at school. For this reason, we are going to continue to complete certificates but for next year, these will be posted to your homes. How exciting for your children to find a certificate waiting for them on their return home, or even on Saturday morning!

Kind regards

Mrs Clare Tilling  
Headteacher





St White's Primary School

Challenge, Commit, Conquer and Celebrate



### Assembly timetable

| Class          | Autumn Term 2019 |          | Spring Term 2020 |          | Summer Term 2020 |          |
|----------------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                | Maths            | Spelling | Maths            | Spelling | Maths            | Spelling |
| Robin          | 22-11-19         |          |                  | 20-3-20  | 3-7-20           |          |
| Wren           | 22-11-19         |          |                  | 20-3-20  | 3-7-20           |          |
| Kingfisher     |                  | 15-11-19 | 13-3-20          |          |                  | 10-7-20  |
| Y1 Nightingale |                  | 15-11-19 | 13-3-20          |          |                  | 10-7-20  |
| Y2 Nightingale | 4-10-19          |          |                  | 7-2-20   | 26-6-20          |          |
| Sparrow        | 4-10-19          |          |                  | 7-2-20   | 26-6-20          |          |
| Skylark        | 8-11-19          |          | 3-4-20           | 6-3-20   | 19-6-20          |          |
| Y3 Jay         | 8-11-19          |          | 3-4-20           | 6-3-20   | 19-6-20          |          |
| Y4 Jay         | 11-10-19         | 27-9-19  | 31-1-20          | 27-2-20  |                  | 22-5-20  |
| Swift          | 11-10-19         | 27-9-19  | 31-1-20          | 27-3-20  |                  | 22-5-20  |
| Woodpecker     | 20-9-19          | 29-11-19 | 28-2-20          | 24-1-20  | 15-5-20          | 12-6-20  |
| Heron          | 20-9-19          | 29-11-19 | 28-2-20          | 24-1-20  | 15-5-20          | 12-6-20  |
| Peregrine      | 13-9-19          | 6-12-19  | 14-2-20          | 17-1-20  | 5-6-20           |          |



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