

# Welcome back Squirrels

## Spring Term 2026



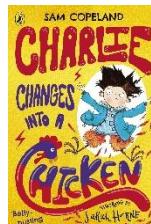
St. James'  
CE First School



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the Spring Term. Please find below some helpful information about our learning for this term.

### What will my child be learning? Spring Curriculum Coverage:

<b>Maths</b>	Money - choosing the correct coins and notes, understanding values of money (Year 2)  Multiplication and division - Recognising equal groups, introducing the multiplication symbol, multiplication sentences, the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, doubles and halves (Year 2) and multiply a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number and divide a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number (Year 3)  Length and height (Year 2) and Length and perimeter (Year 3)  Fractions - Compare and order fractions and fractions on a number line (Year 3)  Mass, capacity and temperature (Year 2) and mass and capacity - kilograms/grams and litres/millilitres (Year 3)  Times tables - multiplication facts x3, x4 and x8 (Year 3)
<b>English</b>	Spring One  Diary entry of George from Georges Marvellous Medicine entry  Y3 Speech work - Georges Marvellous Medicine Y2 Character description
<b>Whole Class Reading</b>	Charlie Changes into a Chicken  The book cover for 'CHARLIE CHANGES INTO A CHICKEN' by Sam Copeland. It features a young boy in a superhero costume standing next to a cartoon chicken. The title is written in large, bold, yellow letters.

Love to Read	We will be reading a range of picture, fiction and non-fiction books in Love to Read every day. Our first book is 'Mr Penguin and the lost treasure' by Alex T Smith	
Religious Education	<u>Spring One</u> <u>intermediary</u> How did the intermediaries share the creator's message?	<u>Spring Two</u> Salvation Why did the creator need a rescue plan?
Science	<u>Spring One</u> Reproduction - Year 2 Forces and magnets - Year 3	<u>Spring Two</u> Alive (structure and function) - Year 2 and 3
Geography and History	<u>History</u> Ancient Egypt How do civilisations across the world compare? (Ancient Egypt and Stone-Iron Age Britain)	<u>Geography</u> South West England (Counties)
Music	Composing using your imagination	More Musical Styles
P.E	<u>Wednesday:</u> Premier Sports Ball skills and sending and receiving	<u>Monday:</u> Gymnastics and fitness
Art	Drawing - observing and drawing sculptures (Spring Two)	
Design technology	DT Textiles: Making a fabric pouch (Spring One)	
Computing	Computer algorithms - robots	
PSHE	<u>Spring One</u> <u>Keeping Safe</u>  Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> January- SCARF workshops	 <u>Spring Two</u> <u>Rights and Responsibilities</u>

### How can I help at home?

#### Reading:

Please continue to encourage your child to read as much as possible. Please sign their reading log to detail what they have been reading. We encourage the children to read at home at least three times a week and the children will continue to participate with the 'Wild About Reading' challenge.



### Spellings:

Your child will continue to be assessed on their spellings on a Tuesday and their new list will be shared on the same day. The list will comprise of six words for year 2 and eight words for year 3.

### Times table practice:

Your child should use Times Table Rock Star (TTRS), Hit the Button and Maths Frame to practise their times table facts. Please encourage your child to practise as frequently as possible. We recommend that your children practise for five minutes each day.



### Class Dojo:

We will be continuing to use this platform to share your child's learning, celebrate their successes and provide class messages.



### Volunteers:

If you are able to kindly offer your time, please let me know.

### Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 13th January - SCARF workshop

Thursday 22nd January - Priory Cup - Year 3 and 4 Netball Tournament

Thursday 29th January - Mayor of Wimborne School Visit

Friday 6th February - St James' Day of Dance with Dorset Creative Dance

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Squirrels class parent share

Thursday 12th February - Year 3 and 4 Tag Rugby Festival

Tuesday 3rd March - Saltmine Theatre Company Visit

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to ask. Parent consultation meetings are scheduled for Tuesday 3rd February and Wednesday 11th February. This will provide an excellent opportunity to discuss your child's Autumn Term report. I hope that you will be able to attend.

Looking forward to another fantastic term!

Best wishes,

Miss Holly Annels