



Clipstone Brook

KS1 Topic Letter, Summer Term

May 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

In accordance with our Home Learning Policy we are sending you information about what the children will be learning this term and homework arrangements.

We will be covering the following topics this term: Katie Morag and Extreme weather.

A more in depth topic information sheet is attached for the Katie Morag topic. The one for Extreme weather will follow after half term.

Reading at Home:

We encourage children to bring their reading record and books home, for you to hear your child read for 5-10 minutes or as often as you are able to. Please use the reading record book to comment on how your child has enjoyed the book, or just initial and date when you have heard your child. Through reading at home children can earn awards and certificates. We hope all children will achieve the minimum of the Bronze award (reading 50 times). Some children this term will receive their silver award (100 times) or Gold award (150 times). We will change the reading books when the children have read them either at home or at school and are confident and fluent in reading their books. We hear the children read as part of English lessons and guided reading sessions however this will not always be recorded in their record books.

Spelling and Homework

Homework is sent out at the start of each half term and is related to the topic that they will be covering. Homework books will be handed in each week (on a Thursday) and handed out again on a Friday so that one piece can be completed each week. A copy of each homework can be found on the school website.

Spellings: Children need to be familiar with spelling all the common exception words (words that cannot be sounded out) within years 1 and 2 (Year group appropriate). Please practise these with your child, there is a copy of these in their homework book.

PE Kit

Please ensure that children bring in a named kit including plimsolls or outdoor trainers and leave it in school. Each class has a whole afternoon of PE once a week (Seals and Jellyfish on a Tuesday and Sea Otters on a Thursday). As the weather is improving some of these will be outside so it is important that children come prepared. County's Health and safety policy states that no earrings should be worn for PE so please ensure that these are removed on PE days.

Water bottles, sun hats and sun cream

As the warmer weather approaches, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that your child/ren will need a named water bottle in school. It should only contain water and not juice. It is advisable for children to wear a sun hat and have sun cream applied before school. If sun cream is brought into school, it should be labelled with your child's name, handed to the class teacher for storing and they must be able to apply it themselves.

If you need to talk to your child's class teacher, the end of the day is the best time or please make an appointment if you need to discuss a concern.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Honour

Mrs Bailes

Mrs Price