

Welcome back!

7th May 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to school after the Easter holiday. We hope the children had an enjoyable break and are feeling refreshed ready to begin the summer term. As always, we have an open door policy, please feel free to pop in to see us if you have any questions/queries. We will always do our best to help you.

Summer Term Topic:

Our topic this half term is 'Through the ages'. The children will be reading the book 'UG: Boy Genius of The Stone Age and His Search for Soft Trousers' written by Raymond Briggs. As this is a shorter half term the topic is likely to continue into summer term two. Our topic web with more details about the learning taking place within this half term topic is on the reverse of this sheet. It will also be available on the school website and displayed in the classroom.

Homework:

Please continue to encourage your child to place their homework folder and reading folder in the tray if necessary in a morning. They should also try to remember to place any letters in the Deer class tray which will then be sent to the office.

Reading - Your child reads or completes reading tasks every day in year 3. We encourage reading and send a school reading book home with your child. If you need to have these books changed children should return them on a Monday. If you would like to read any books from home in the meantime this is absolutely fine, and we understand that your child may have some more appropriate/exciting books at home. We are very fortunate to have had a generous donation of brand-new chapter books for our class, including David Walliams, Bear Grylls etc. These books are available to take home as home readers. These books will be kept in our classroom and should be returned to class rather than the library.



Home time:

Anyone not collected by 3.45pm will be taken to the office and a member of staff will contact their parent/carer. Children will be told that if they can't see their adult then they are NOT to leave the member of staff. Please keep in mind that we have a staff meeting each Wednesday after school.

Dates for your diary:

Culture Week - 20th May 2019- The children will be working in mixed age groups and taking part in exciting activities across school.

Student

This Term, we are very lucky to have a student, Miss Vickerman, in to support the class and will be planning alongside both of us to deliver some lessons over the next few weeks. We're sure you will make her feel welcome.

General Reminders:



- **PE** - Our days for PE this term are **Mondays** and **Thursday**. Note the change from Wednesday to Thursday.
- Please ensure that PE kits including a pair of pumps or trainers are in school on these days and that all items are labelled with your child's name. Ideally we would ask that your child's PE kit stays on their peg for the whole half term, then they are less likely to forget it. Their kit will be sent home to be washed during half term holidays. **It would be helpful if you could check that pumps and PE kits still fit during each holiday period. Hair must be tied up for PE and earrings removed.**
- **Homework** - Homework will be sent home on a Thursday there will be a short English task and a short Maths task. The tasks will relate to things we are covering in class and children should spend around 20-30 minutes on these tasks promoting independent learning at home. Children should place their completed homework folders in the 'homework tray' in the classroom. If you find this is taking longer than 30 minutes or you are unsure about what your child has had been asked to do please speak to a member of staff. Please return Homework by Tuesday the following week so that it can be marked.
- **Water Bottles** - Please make sure your child has a filled and named water bottle that they bring into class which they can access throughout the day. These should be taken home, washed and refilled daily.
- **Snacks:** Following the school council survey, you may send the following snacks into school in a named/ reusable or recyclable container- chopped fruit, chopped vegetables or cheese. **Our snack tray is full of empty boxes at the moment, so if you are missing any Tupperware, you might want to check there!!!**

Thank you for your on-going support

Mrs Lumb and Mrs Willimott