

## Robins Class Curriculum News: 2017-18 Autumn Term 1

Dear Parents / Carers

I hope that you have had a good summer break. Please find attached details of the curriculum we will be following in Robins Class this term along with the usual notices and reminders.

### General routines

Children should come into school through the main entrance in the morning by themselves with all their belongings. They are dismissed from the classroom at the end of the day and leave by themselves – if they cannot find whoever is collecting them they should return to the classroom to seek advice. I would be grateful if you could make sure your child is aware of what they are to do at the end of the school day, especially if they are going to after school club, going home on the bus or being collected by someone different.

### Book Bags and Home/School books

Book bags in Key Stage 2 are not checked every day by school adults – please encourage your child to hand in letters/return slips etc. to me. Blue home/school books should be used for routine communication between home and school and your child should bring their book to me in the morning if there is a message I need to be aware of.

### Spelling Tests

Weekly spelling tests will continue on a Monday. Your child's spellings will come home on an A4 sheet with space for them to practise using the 'look, say, cover, write, check' strategy. Please encourage your child to practise for their weekly tests. They will be expected to take re-tests if they achieve less than 5/10 in their Monday test.

### Times tables/Maths homework

Times tables tests will continue on a Monday. Maths homework will be a mixture of different tasks. Please can you initial your child's blue book when maths homework tasks have been completed, especially if there is not a written outcome.

### P.E. kit and water bottles

P.E. kit should be brought in on Monday and can be taken home on Fridays. Please can you ensure that your child has suitable outdoor PE clothing including trainers available for use in school every day. I have already had children without items of their P.E.kit in the first week back. Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school. It is well documented that good hydration aids children's concentration.

### Autumnal weather

Please can you make sure your child has a waterproof coat in school every day. We do go outside to play when it is raining. A school fleece is not sufficient.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Sandells

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