

Kestrels' Class Curriculum News: Autumn Term 1 2018-2019

Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back! I hope that you have had a fantastic summer and that you and your children are looking forward to a busy, productive and enjoyable year. We are already settling back into our routines and enjoying getting started on our first topic.

Below you will find information relating to our curriculum this term, as well as important information about the class which I hope you will find helpful. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to come and see me or jot a note in the blue book. There will be an informal drop-in session on Wednesday 26th September from 8.45 – 9.30am if you would like to ask any questions about the year ahead, or just pop in to say hello and see your child's new classroom!

PE

Our PE sessions this term are on Tuesday (gymnastics) and Thursday (invasion games), so please make sure that PE kit is in school on these days, including trainers for both sessions. Occasionally PE days have to be swapped, so it is helpful if kit is in school every day.

Homework

- Learning log – set on alternate Fridays to be handed in on the second Tuesday. In light of the increased curriculum expectations and the age of the children, learning log tasks will be more structured, with an English / Topic focus based on what we are learning about in class. Your child will have brought home a selection of ideas for their learning log today, which they can choose from for each of the tasks this term.
- Spellings – set weekly for a test on FRIDAY. Please make sure that spelling folders are in school on Fridays and that spellings have been practised.
- Times tables test (the 'Deadly 60') will take place on a FRIDAY morning. Maths tasks will be sent home weekly.

Regular reading (at least 3 times a week) should be recorded in the blue home school book. Homework is really important for reinforcing learning in school, teaching independence and preparing pupils for the transition to secondary school. Your support in ensuring that homework is completed to an acceptable standard and on time is appreciated.

Reminders

- Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school every day to keep in the classroom so they can have regular drinks during the day.
- Blue books are checked and signed on a Monday, but should be in school every day. Any messages should be passed to me directly.
- Please check the newsletter and / or school website for important dates.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. Rachel Sida

Kestrels' Class Teacher

