

## Reception – Seahorse Class: A day by Day Guide

Now that your child has settled into their new class, we will begin to follow a timetable to help us structure our week. As there is a lot to remember and some things are new, we thought it would be useful to outline some of our daily activities and routines and anything that you may need to remember.

### General Information:

- The class teacher for Seahorse class is Miss Warwick and the teaching assistant is Miss Colyer. We also have three additional adults who work on a 1:1 basis with a child in Seahorse class. These are Mrs Boon, Miss Coleman and Ms McKay. Mrs Harris will be the class teacher every Wednesday morning to cover Miss Warwick's planning, preparation and assessment time.
- **Reading books** - your child will soon bring home a reading scheme book and reading diary. These will be changed every Thursday. On a Thursday morning, please place your child's scheme book and their reading diary in the allocated tray that will be directly to your right as you enter the classroom. We also have two boxes of books that can go home that you may change these as often as you like. These books are all marked with a red sticker and in the named boxes - 'Story books' and 'Oxford Reading Tree' books. Please replace a book before taking a new one.
- **Library books** - we will visit the school library every Thursday. These books can be left in your child's book bag on a Thursday morning; they will take their book bag to the library with them to do a direct swap.
- We provide a daily snack for the children, which we have around mid-morning. This consists of a piece of fruit or vegetable and their water. The children are able to access their water all day and bottles can be refilled when empty. Please do not put water bottles in the book bag as they may leak onto books.
- We have daily phonics sessions where the children play games to develop their understanding of letters and sounds and rhyme and alliteration.
- Assemblies – after half term, we will join the infants for some assemblies, these will include singing, Father Dan's service and a class themed assembly.
- Star of the week – Each week we will choose a 'star of the week'. The chosen child will bring home a special box on the Friday to fill with important things to show the class the following week.

### Monday:

Monday will be our reading day and this means that during our choosing time, Miss Warwick will ensure she reads with/hears every child read individually or in small groups.

### Tuesday:

P.E – we will have a P.E session every Tuesday morning. Please ensure that your child has a named P.E kit in school at all times. We will send it home during the holidays for washing (or before if we feel it needs a wash).

### Wednesday:

ICT – we will visit the ICT suite on alternate Wednesday mornings. This is a chance to develop our computer skills!

### Thursday:

The children will all visit the school library to change their library books. Please make sure that the library books are returned and in your child's book bag on Thursday in order for them to be able to do this. Miss Warwick will also collect all reading scheme books and diaries from the tray and change these, ready to be returned to you on Friday. Music – every Thursday afternoon we will have a music session in the small hall.

### Friday:

Buddy Time – our year six buddies will spend some time with us every Friday morning.

Forest School – Friday afternoon is Seahorses allocated Forest school time. The children will need to bring a change of clothes and shoes (suitable for the weather). Further details and start date to follow.

If you have any questions please feel free to ask.

Miss Warwick