

Kingfisher Class Newsletter

September 2021



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Kingfisher Class! I hope you have all day a wonderful summer, and the children are as excited for the new term as I am. The curriculum map for this term can be found on our class page. Our topic is 'Movers and Shakers'. In this topic, we will be exploring the lives of influential people in history. We will make clear links to all subject areas, ensuring the National Curriculum expectations for both Year 2 and Year 3 are met. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to me or contact me via Class Dojo.

PE

PE days in Kingfisher Class will be on a Wednesday and Thursday. During this transitional term, I am asking that children come in their PE kits on these days.

Children with long hair are required to have it tied back, and earrings must be removed for PE sessions. As we are participating in Golden Mile this year, children are required to have trainers in school every day.

Reading

We aim to hear the children read regularly during guided reading sessions and shared reading. To support your child's progression in reading, please could you ensure that you read regularly with your child at home, and use their reading record book to record progress - these will be checked regularly. In both Year 2 and Year 3, there will be a focus on comprehension. When reading with your child, try to ask questions about the text so they gain a deeper understanding.

Home Learning

In Year 2, children will receive a homework grid at the beginning of each new topic, allowing them to complete 5 tasks of their choice. They will also receive weekly

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reading books to take home, and spellings to practice that links to daily phonics sessions taught.

In Year 3, children will be expected to complete one piece of English or maths work per week, as well as practising spellings. While there is no set requirement for children in Year 3 to complete any tasks from the homework grid, it is designed to allow you to work alongside your child to share aspects of their learning.

Class Dojo

Class Dojo is the reward chart system we will be using. This will allow the children to earn valuable points when demonstrating excellent behaviour, being kind to others, producing wonderful work or following our school values. This is an amazing tool, as it allows you to see how the children are progressing and enables you to continue to celebrate their successes. Points can be taken away for undesirable behaviour - when this is done, we will ensure the children understand why this has happened.

Food Allergies/Medicine

Please ensure the school knows of any food allergies that your child may have. Our school first aiders are able to administer prescribed medication from a doctor to the children - please ensure that this is given to the appropriate adult and the correct forms are filled in.

Finally, please feel free to speak to me if you have any concerns about anything.

Miss Armstrong