

Class 3 Newsletter - Autumn Term 2020

Welcome back to school! We hope that you and your families are all well and have had an enjoyable Summer. It was lovely to see so many smiling faces last week, I think the children were really pleased to return to school. The children are getting used to different routines and have made a great start to their learning! Details of topics covered this term will soon be on the school website.

Please take a look at the Class 3 timetable overleaf. PE lessons this term will be on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please make sure that your child's PE kit is left in school in a named bag during the term. This kit should include: pale blue t-shirt, black/navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms for chillier days. Children will need trainers/pumps for outdoor and some indoor PE lessons. If your child comes to school in sports shoes, they will still need to have a clean dry pair for indoor PE. Please make sure all items are named-it is much easier to return them to their owner that way!

In Class 3 we choose a 'Special Helper' each week who carries out lots of special tasks. In the past our 'Special Helper' has brought something in from home to share with the class but we are unfortunately unable to do this at present.



Homework this year is going to have a strong emphasis on reading and learning Times Tables. It is really important that children read at home every day and are also read to. To minimise items coming in and out of school, we are going to send a reading pack home on Mondays with a Reading Record. Please use this to record when you have listened to your child read and any messages you have for us. (Don't forget to send more urgent messages to the office). This pack needs returning to school on Fridays and the books will be replaced, if finished, ready for the following Monday. Please support your child by:

- helping them to decode tricky words in their reading book,
- asking them questions about the text to check their understanding,
- exposing them to higher level texts which they cannot yet access independently by reading to them regularly. I have included a Reward Card inside the Reading Record. Please sign and write a comment in your child's reading record when you listen to them read. This forms an important part of the home-school partnership. Three reads per week equals a sticker and a sticker each week equals a small prize at the end of each half term.

Don't Forget...

- a clean, named water bottle every day
- reading packs go home on Monday, return to school on Friday