



# Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School

"Let faith be your shield"

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Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a relaxing break and everyone is feeling refreshed. We have another very busy summer term ahead. I will again be ably supported in this by Mrs Ventress and Miss Kiersek each morning. Mrs Ventress will continue support the class during writing, reading and spelling activities while Miss Kiersek will help during Maths sessions. Details of the curriculum we will cover this half-term are attached to this letter and are also available on our website.

As previously, no formal written homework will be set this term, however the expectation remains that the children will read with you at home on a daily basis, and this should be recorded in their reading record book. Please don't feel obliged to write a comment (although this is always helpful) but an **adult's** signature or initials **is** required beside the date/day. It is also always helpful for you to read to your child, especially more difficult texts. During the first half-term reading in class will focus on the children completing reading comprehension texts. After the half-term break guided reading sessions will return to our previous pattern: I will read each week with your child during guided reading sessions and will write the focus of each session in the reading record book.

I'd like to thank you all for your support with practising the children's mental calculations. The vast majority of them are progressing rapidly through 'Speedy Maths' and 'Times Tables Trails'. Please continue to help your child by asking snappy addition and subtraction calculations that your child does 'in their head'. By now your child should know their number bonds within and to 10, (i.e.  $1+9=10$ ,  $2+8=10$ ) doubles of numbers up to ten, and numbers bonds within 20 (e.g.  $1+19=20$ ,  $2+18=20$  etc.) You should now move on to give them additions and subtractions within 100 that don't cross the tens boundary too (e.g.  $24+45$  is fine but not  $69+54$ . Also  $87-23$  is fine but not  $52-29$ .) We have been practising the 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables in school and the children need to know these as multiplication and division facts, very well before moving up to Year 3 - so practice at home is invaluable.

Our PE days will be Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please keep **full, named** PE kits in school each day though, in case we take other opportunities to be active. Please check regularly that pumps still fit - it's hard to run around with cramped toes!

I am looking forward to a busy and term. If you want to know anything else, or have any queries, please do let me know.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Browne and the Year 2 Team.

