

Welcome back. We have had a fabulous start to our new term and the children have settled into the school routine wonderfully and have enjoyed sharing their summer holiday stories.

**Morning Work** The class doors are open at 8.30am. Each morning the children will be set an activity to complete, which you are more than welcome to stay and help with. These may range from maths to art. At 8.50am the class Teacher will call the children together to take the register and lunch requirements.

**End of School** - Class ends at 3.15pm. The Class Teacher will lead your class to the playground and dismiss children once they see their parent in the playground. If someone other than a parent is to collect your child please let the Class Teacher know at the beginning of the day as children will not be handed over unless we have your authority. If you allow your child to walk home please give written signed consent for this and hand to the class teacher.

**Reading Books** - We are in the process of assessing reading levels and will be sending a reading book home within the next week. Could we please ask parents **not** to help themselves to reading books as we prefer the Class Teacher/Teaching Assistants to make an appropriate selection and to monitor the children's progress. We will only issue a new reading book once the old one has been returned.

**Clothing** - Please could we ask you to label **all** of your child's clothing clearly to help them locate it when they are changing for PE and in case items get misplaced and end up in lost property.

**PE kits** - It would be very helpful if children could bring their PE kit (white t-shirt, blue shorts/tracksuit bottoms and trainers in a bag) on a **Monday morning** and take it home again on Friday for washing. On Thursday the children **MUST** have outdoor PE shoes. It is very important, from a health and safety aspect, that the children have the correct PE kit for these sessions. PE sessions this term will be Monday and Thursday for all classes. Please can children also have clearly labelled drinks bottles.

**Forest Schools** - This half term Miss Gulliford's and Mr Luttman's classes will have forest school. Miss Gulliford's class session will be on a Monday and Mr Luttman's on a Tuesday. Please could we ask you to ensure your child has wellies/old shoes that you don't mind getting muddy and a raincoat on these days. Please could you put these in a names carrier bag. We will confirm arrangements for Mrs Grimwood/Mrs Johnson's class shortly.

**Homework** - Homework sheets and How to Help at Home sheets are to follow. We will also have fortnightly spelling and times table tests, which will alternate each week. These will be on a Friday. It would be helpful if you could help support your child with these tasks.

If you have any questions please do come and speak to us. Thank you for all your support with settling your child into the school routine this week. We hope you have a lovely weekend.

#### Diary Dates

Tue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct - FoOV Tuck Shop

Thur, 19<sup>th</sup> and Fri, 20<sup>th</sup> October - Non Pupil Days

Mon, 23<sup>rd</sup> to Fri, 27<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term

Mon, 18<sup>th</sup> Dec to Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan - Christmas Holidays