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PE Days

This term most PE sessions will take place outdoors and so children will be expected to bring in a full PE kit. This should include named trainers, long jogging bottoms, shorts, a T-shirt and a tracksuit top, and should come in a named bag at the beginning of every half term to be left in school. Please ensure that long hair is tied back and ear-rings can be covered with tape.

Adult Helpers

We would love to have some adults in to help hear individual children read or assist with other activities. Please see your child’s class teacher if you would be able to help us out. We will also need volunteers for the fortnightly trips to the woods and twice weekly swimming sessions.

Drinks and snacks

It is really important that your child stays hydrated throughout the day and therefore they are very welcome to bring in a named plastic bottle containing water to drink from. This must return home daily in order to be cleaned and re-filled. All children have a healthy snack provided by school.

Drinks

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***Learning together for life!***

Health and Attendance

Regular attendance at school is vital for your child’s education.

If your child is absent from school for any reason school needs to know. **Please telephone the school by 9.15 a.m. on the first day of absence.**

We need to know the reason (as schools are required to distinguish between authorised and unauthorised absence of pupils) and how long your child is likely to be off. Please ask your Doctor for advice regarding how long your child should be kept off school.

If medicine is prescribed, arrangements can *only* be made for the administration in school if the dosage is x4 daily. Parents are asked to complete a request form and all medicines must be handed to Mrs Robinson, in the original packaging, clearly labelled with date, contents, pupil’s name and dosage.

Our Family Support Worker in conjunction with our Education Welfare Officer is always available to give advice if required.

Themes for the Summer Term

Our themes this term will be: ***How does your garden grow?*** and ***All creatures great and small***(both science focus) and ***Club Tropicana!*** (Geography focus).

You can help by:

• Sharing the topic plan with your child and talking about what they already know. Talking about places in the UK would be especially helpful.

• Reading a bed-time story - even when they are fluent readers, you can help them discover more sophisticated and rewarding books by reading to them.

• Checking their spellings, and ensuring they have a calm environment in which to concentrate on them.

* Telling the time on a clock with hands to the nearest 5 minutes.

Homework Children have a home learning journal for their spellings and other challenges. These should be returned each Thursday for checking and to receive the next batch of spellings. **Daily** reading at home should still be a priority, even for those children who read simple texts fluently.

Meet the staff

Mrs Thomas (Class Teacher), Mrs Pedge every morning, Mrs Hiscock and Miss Harvey, and Mrs Maskell (Tuesday afternoons). We are always happy to help. Please make an appointment to come and see us after school if you have a problem.

Age related expectations

**In English, by the end of Year 2, children should be able to…**

Correctly use: capital letters, full stops, question and exclamation marks and commas in lists.

Use developing phonic skills when writing sentences.

Be able to answer questions in more detail on what they have read.

Know about tenses, suffixes and rarer graphemes (the 2 or 3 letters that make 1 sound).

All children should read for 10—15 minutes daily. Please talk to your child about what they have read and sign the reading record so we know how they have progressed.

**In Maths, by the end of Year 2, children should be able to…**

Add & subtract 2-digit numbers and tens, and two 2-digit numbers.

Recall addition & subtraction facts to 20.

Recall multiplication and division facts for 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

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