



Wednesday 21st April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, our priority has been to welcome the children back, establish their love of learning and facilitate plenty of social opportunities to support physical and emotional development. We have thoroughly enjoyed our time back at school together, settling back into routines and spending time together again. It really has been wonderful! As we begin a new term, I would like to share some important information and reminders with you.

Class Dojo

We will continue to use Class Dojo to share our learning throughout the week as well as any important information you may need. You can upload fun experiences and learning you have at home via the 'portfolios' section if you wish to. We really enjoy sharing and celebrating SMART work completed at home! I am available to contact through Class Dojo as well as email but please ensure any changes to going home arrangements or urgent messages go through the office.

Reading

Children will have opportunities to change their reading books on a Monday and a Thursday to allow a safe amount of time for books to be taken out of circulation. Please write any comments regarding your child's reading in your child's reading diary. Children will read with an adult in school multiple times a week (where possible) and will have several other opportunities to read at school including shared reading, reading aloud shared writing and paired reading within the class.

Spellings and Maths

Maths targets can be found in your child's SMART book should you wish to spend time on these at home (children are tested fortnightly). Our school spelling approach has recently changed. Children will no longer be given individual spellings to learn and will instead focus on a shared class spelling rule. I will introduce these to the children on a Monday and will also share on our class page for children who wish to practice at home too.

PE

This term we will continue with our gymnastics unit. We will be perfecting our balances and creating sequences to show our peers. During the second half of the term we will be playing games outside with Nick (hopefully in the sunshine!)

Snack

Any snacks brought into school should be healthy (fruit, vegetable or bread-based) and must not contain any nuts. We have plenty of fruit and vegetables to offer the children for free!

SMART apps

If you need a password reminder for Doodle Maths or Reading Eggs please let me know. I am able to assign 'extras' on these apps for keen SMART learners to have a go at from home. This might be useful if your child needs extra practice at a particular maths target.

If you have any questions or other queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Miss Wilson and the team ☺

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