

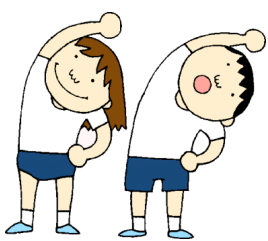


READY, SET, SCHOOL!

Morning Routine: We hope the children quickly get used to the morning routine when they arrive at school. Please support them by making sure they bring everything they need for school that day. This may include: coat, jumper, packed lunch, water bottle, reading books, homework, PE kit. Thank you.



The attached jigsaw shows the areas we will be focussing on in our curriculum this term. Our main topic is Weather and it would be useful to help your child to notice what the weather is like here and further afield (e.g. through news stories).



PE lessons are scheduled for **Tuesday and Friday** each week and will be held outside (weather permitting). It would be helpful for the children to have a kit in school at all times. Please also name kit as items are sometimes mislaid during changing times. Please send a note if your child is not able to take part in PE lessons. Thank you.

Homework:

Spelling and Mental Maths homework will be sent out on Tuesday and should be returned to school on **Monday** mornings please. ***Please ensure the homework is kept altogether in the plastic book bag.***

‘Little and often’ is the best way to improve both of these skills. Spellings will be tested on Monday and the tests attached to the homework so you can see how your child did. Mental Maths skills will be checked regularly to see how children are progressing towards our half-termly KIRF targets. (see Homework books for more information about our new mental maths scheme).

Reading:

We have reading time every day in school. This includes one-to-one and group sessions with adults as well as independent reading.

Children have opportunity before school to change their books. They should bring home their AR quiz book and a colour banded reading book but can also choose to bring home a ‘free reader’ to share with you as well.

Please try to hear your child read as often as possible at home and record your comments in the reading record.

Children need to keep their school reading books and reading records in their plastic book bag to protect them AND should have them in school every day. Thank you.



Tick Charts:

Children each have their own chart where they record the ticks they earn for showing a positive attitude to learning and school life. They need to earn 20 ticks to fill a marble and complete 3 marbles per half-term in order to achieve a class treat. These learning attitudes are reported to you each half-term using our traffic light system. Let’s hope everyone can start the year well by being in the ‘Green Team’.

Thank you for taking the time to read all of this information. As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns at any time.

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