

I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas break and are ready for the busy new year of 2018!



Organisation!

Please support your child 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 this term is Ancient Egypt which is always an exciting subject. We are organising a 'Museum in School' workshop to help the children understand how historians know about life in Ancient Egypt. Further details will be sent out nearer the time.

PE lessons are scheduled for **Monday and Friday each week.**

They will be held outside on Fridays (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.

Looking ahead to the Summer Term:

Children in year 2 and 3 travel to Ludlow Leisure Centre for swimming lessons once a week for 10 weeks in the Summer Term.

They are assessed and grouped into beginners, improvers and confident swimmers. The beginners are taught by a swimming teacher from the leisure centre while Miss Hollins and I teach the other two groups. Full details will be sent out before the Easter holidays but if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.



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.

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.



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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