



FRANCES OLIVE ANDERSON
Church of England (Aided) School
'Being different, Belonging together'



Friday 5th January 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break! It has been a delight to see the children back in school.

Our topic for the Spring term is Climate, Weather and Biomes: this project teaches children about climate zones around the world, their characteristics in terms of weather and the importance of different biomes across the globe.

Homework

Each week there will be maths and spelling set, normally on a Monday, which will be due in on the following Monday. Homework will start from next week commencing the 8th. In addition, there will also be tasks which are related to our topic which will keep the children engaged.

It is encouraged that children practice their times tables through TT Rockstars and spellings through the Spelling Shed app. Instructions and logins will be sent home with the children in due course.

Reading

Reading at home is essential and as we are now using the GoRead app, we hope that this gives the children even more reason to build that love for reading and to also explore different texts. Reading and being read to is fundamental to children's learning potential. Reading for pleasure can benefit a child's education, social and cognitive development, their wellbeing and their mental health.

Recording of their reading can be done via the GoRead app where either the child or adult can mark the pages read from/to. We will be encouraging the children to also record their reading using the GoRead app on their tablet at school.

Curriculum Overview.

English – Recount, non-chronological report, description, instructions, narrative

Maths – Multiplication and division, length and perimeter, fractions, mass and capacity

Science – forces and magnets

RE – God incarnation, what is the Trinity?

Art – Why do we make art and Clay Fairytales

Computing – Programming and data and information

PE

Our PE days are currently Tuesday and Friday, however this can change, so please ensure your child has the correct, fully labelled, PE kit with them at all times. PE kit should include: T-shirt, shorts, plimsolls, trainers, socks and a tracksuit for when the weather becomes cooler. **Please support your child by ensuring that their PE kit is fully labelled.**

Water Bottles

Children may bring a bottle of **water only** into the classroom. Lunchtime drinks will be kept in lockers.

Evergreen

At the end of each week on a Friday afternoon the children will be rewarded with some free time during Evergreen. The children are aware of unacceptable behaviour and are given a reminder then a warning, if this occurs more than once in a day they will take a green slip to the Head teacher and they will lose their Evergreen. Certain behaviours deemed to be severe can result in losing their Evergreen immediately. Children will have chance to earn some of their Evergreen time back if they demonstrate impeccable behaviour. Positive behaviour is rewarded with team points, certificates, positive praise and their Evergreen treat.

We value the role that parents/carers play in education and hope that by working in partnership with you, we will be able to fully support your child's learning and help them to achieve their full potential. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,

Mr Rance and Miss Goddard