

Class 1 Newsletter

Summer Term 2024



Welcome back to school everybody! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter-break. It seems strange welcoming you all into the summer term when we are only at the beginning of April. I cannot believe that we only have one term left to go, it seems like only yesterday that the children joined me. I always feel that this term is a real game changer, where the children make superb progress and take tremendous leaps forward. I am certain that each and every child will achieve their own personal best.

Learning Theme

For the Summer term, we have the a very exciting theme of; 'Significant Individuals' in History, in which we will seek to answer the question Why is Isambard Brunel such a significant individual? Those of you who have an interest in railways will maybe know why I am so excited about this unit! In Geography we will complete a comparative study around the theme of 'Bridging the World'. The children will learn about the world's continents and oceans. Science will see us exploring plants this half term and then humans after the May half-term. In PE we will be playing games linked to tennis and cricket. During our DT lessons we will be making bridges and in Art we will be making sculptures using clay. If you have any items that may support our learning at home that you would like to lend us that would be gratefully appreciated.

Beginning and end of the day

Your child should line up in front of the year 1 outdoor area as was the case in the autumn and spring terms. The children will then be met by Mrs Irvin or myself and brought into school. At the end of the school day the children will exit from the year 1 outdoor area and must be collected from this point. If there is a change as to who is collecting your child, please could you notify either a member of the year 1 team or the school office this is to ensure each and every child's safety and welfare.

PE

PE will take place on a **Tuesday and Wednesday**. As in the Autumn term, please ensure that your child comes into school wearing their PE kit. PE kit consists of black shorts and a plain white t-shirt. However, in the winter months a warm PE kit is suggested which includes a plain black/dark hooded top and sports bottoms. It may also be beneficial to send in spare footwear dependent on the weather. No school uniform is to be worn for PE and in the interest of safety jewellery must not be worn, earrings must either be removed or taped and long hair must be tied back.

Homework

Homework tasks will usually be given on a Friday and should be completed by the following Thursday. If your child is struggling with their homework please ask them to come and see me prior to submission. Homework will be set using the Class blog, from here I will direct you to either Seesaw or Purplemash dependent on the task. Although it is beneficial to support your child with homework tasks, please ensure that the work is that of the child's and not your own.

Reading

Reading diaries need to be handed in on a Friday as books will be changed on this day. Please encourage your child to read as often as possible (even if this means repeating the book issued by school or an age appropriate book selected from home). Please ensure that an adult records the reading within the reading diary.

If you have any questions about anything at all, please do not hesitate to ask any of the Class 1 team. Once again, I am very much looking forward to the term ahead and teaching and supporting your child.

Kind regards

Mr Mallison and the Class 1 team.