

Elm Class Parent Welcome Letter

7th September 2021



Dear Parents,

Welcome back from the Summer holidays. I hope you all had a lovely time.

Please see the curriculum map for the topics and learning for this Autumn term. This term P.E will be Games on Friday afternoons and the children will need to bring their kits for indoor and outdoor use at the beginning of each half term to stay in school. They will also have a Forest School session on Tuesdays and will need to come in dressed in suitable, warm outdoor clothing. Please can this include long sleeved tops, trousers, sturdy trainers or boots and water proofs. Please bring outer wear in a labelled bag to go on their pegs.

Home learning:

In class firstly we will focus on building basic skills. These will be reading common words, reading phonic sounds, letter formation, number bonds to 10 and 20 and reading and writing numbers. In order to support with these at home, please find time to practise the following in short, regular sessions.

- Reading- at least four times a week. Hear them read, read to them and read together. These can be class books, online on Activelearn or any books they enjoy.
- Spellings (to start after the first week)- at least three times a week. Lists will come home in reading records and are tested on Monday mornings. Please write these down using correct letter formation.
- Number bond practice e.g. 5+5, 7+3, 15+5 and 17+3. Use apps, objects, say them out loud and write them down with correct number formation.

Useful websites, apps and ideas for home learning:

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

www.nrich.maths.org

www.phonicsplay and www.spellingsplay

Teach your Monster to Read app

Squeebles maths app

Monster Maths app

Use of coins and number cards for bonds, reading and counting numbers

Use of number songs for times tables if secure in number bonds

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

Thank you for your support and best wishes for the Autumn term.

Miss Hazel Sutton