

Tuesday 7th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Spring Term

We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas holiday and wish you all a Happy New Year. We hope the children are ready for another busy term in which we will be continuing to develop a range of knowledge and skills across all areas of the curriculum.

Our shared reading sessions will begin on Friday 10th January. Parents and younger siblings of Wrens are invited to come into the classroom every Friday morning 8.45 – 9.00am to share a book with their child.

The children will continue to be taught by Mrs Pye on Tuesday mornings and on Thursday afternoons by Mrs Green and Miss Smith or by Mrs Cleaver, Mrs Lafford and Miss Smith in Forest School. The children can come to school dressed in their Forest School clothes for their session every other Thursday. Children should wear trousers and a long sleeved top and/or jumper. They will also need a pair of wellies, warm socks, a hat and gloves to change into and a waterproof coat and trousers or an all-in-one waterproof suit.

We encourage parents to support their child's learning at home, but understand that children are often busy or tired after school. We would like the children to read aloud at home and talk about what they have read as regularly as possible. It is also important that children re-read books to build up fluency and understanding. Reading books are changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Every Tuesday the children will also bring home a Home Library Book to share. Please work together to help them draw a picture and write a sentence about their favourite part of the story. We will send home their red homework book on Friday. Homework should be sent back into school by the following Wednesday.

We know that children like to bring in toys to show their friends in school. 'News Time' sessions will continue to be held on a Monday and we ask that if your child has a toy, photograph or item to share that they bring it in on this day. We have many toys to play with in school, so we ask that toys are not brought in on any other day.

On Tuesday mornings and Friday afternoons, the children will participate in P.E. sessions, but it is important that they have their P.E. kit in school every day. Small stud pierced earrings can be worn but must be removed by the child or covered for all P.E. lessons.



Please ensure that your child brings a coat to school and that they wear sensible black shoes everyday as the weather is so unpredictable. You may also like your child to have a spare pair of pants and socks in their bag just in case they have a toileting accident.

Please remember to regularly check your child's hair for headlice and treat if necessary. If your child has longer hair it is advisable to tie it up and this is particularly important on PE days.

We will be encouraging the children to be responsible for all of their belongings so please help them by ensuring that all belongings – each piece of uniform, school bags, Forest School kit, P.E. kit items, lunchbox and water bottles etc. are clearly named so that they can be quickly reunited with your child.

If your child is being collected by someone different from normal then please tell us in the morning or telephone the school office to let us know.

Please speak to us in the morning or at the end of the school day if you have any concerns, queries or if there is any change that may affect your child through the day e.g. unsettled sleep, change in family situations etc.

We hope you will be able to join us for our weekly Shared Reading Sessions and for our Celebration Worship on Friday 17th January.

Kind Regards,

Miss Wright and Miss Smith
Class Teacher & Teaching Assistant

