



### Robins Class

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Septemeber 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to school and to a new academic year! I hope your child is looking forward to an exciting learning year ahead; the children have all settled back in wonderfully! I would like to inform you of a few things that you will need to know about.

### Homework

Homework (English and Mathematics) will be set on a Thursday for it to be completed and handed in by Tuesday of the following week. We encourage parental involvement in homework, especially if your child is experiencing difficulties. However, if your child does need further support, please ask them to come and see me, or alternatively you can leave a comment on the parent feedback on their homework sheet.

### Spellings

Weekly spellings, and the associated spelling rule, will be sent home on a Monday (in a separate book). The children will need to learn their weekly spellings, and its rule, ready for a spelling quiz on Friday of the same week. We encourage the children to have a practice every night so that are really embedding the spelling rule rather than cramming the revision in before the quiz on a Friday. Putting each word into a sentence also gives a context for how the word is used.

Children will need to bring their Spelling Home Log Book into school every Friday because once they have done their test at school they will highlight the words they didn't get right in green. Children who get more than one wrong will need to do further practice over the weekend ready to be retested on the following Monday. I will notify you if this is the case. It is very important that your child develops confidence in spelling a range of familiar and unfamiliar words as well as understanding the rules that need to be applied in order to spell such words.

### Reading

We encourage that all children should read at home to an adult on a regular basis (daily if possible but at least 4 times a week). It allows your child to revisit phonic and reading skills taught in school. Of course, reading lots of stories together at home will inspire a love of stories and books.

When you read at home please record in your child's reading record book. Their reading record book and reading book need to be in school **every day** so that adults in school can hear your child read and record their comments. It is also important to discuss what your child has read to help develop their reading comprehension skills. And gain a greater understanding of the text.





### **P.E. and Forest School**

A P.E. kit (navy or black shorts and a pair of trainers) will be required for P.E. on a Wednesday, however their full P.E. kit should be in school at all times as we sometimes have these lessons on different days. Please ensure your child has the correct kit for lessons and all items, including their school uniform are clearly labelled. No jewellery is to be worn and earrings must be removed.

Throughout the week, we will continue to do our Daily Mile or other tasks to promote being active and having a healthy lifestyle and to help your child concentrate in the classroom.

On a Thursday afternoon, (every other week) the children will have Forest School. Please refer to the school app to find out which dates your child will be involved in forest school and the clothing they need to wear.

I am looking forward to working together to ensure your child is happy and that they achieve their full potential. Should you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to see me at the end of the school day or make an appointment at the office.

Thank you and kind regards

*Miss Price*

