

Spring 2020

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

As ever, we have an exciting term ahead with lots of interesting topics and trips ~ we have included information on these for you to look at on the website. Feel free to ask any questions along the way.



Our trip to Torquay Museum, on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January, will provide a great stimulus for our new topic - 'Walk Like an Egyptian'. Back in class, the children will write a recount documenting their learning and continue to explore the many achievements of the Ancient Egyptians through various subjects.

Accelerated Reading will continue into the new year. It is of great benefit to your child if you regularly read or participate in 'book talk' with your child, whatever their level of reading. **Please ensure all reading material is recorded in the same yellow books as well as AR books**, so we have a full record of their regular reading. This can include any reading material - comics, magazines, newspapers etc.

Please note homework will now be set on a Thursday and needs to be returned to school the following Tuesday. Occasionally maths homework will include written or memory tasks, but usually it will involve activities on MyMaths. As ever, any additional support you can provide for your child, particularly with times tables and spelling, is always valuable.

PE lessons will fall on Mondays and Thursdays this term but it is **vital** that all children have a full PE kit with them **everyday** as occasionally we have to make changes to the PE timetable. Just a reminder - the kit includes a white t-shirt, navy shorts or joggers, and a pair of outdoor trainers (spare socks are especially useful for tight-wearers). To keep warm during the winter months, a navy sweatshirt or jumper would be handy too. Volleyball, dance and handball will be our spring focus sports. We will also be continuing with our Wild Woodland learning sessions after half term when 'outdoor' clothing will be required - **children will be given notice of these days and emails will be sent home too**. Again, it is vital that children come equipped for a cold or wet weather experience and wellies, gloves, warm coats etc are imperative.



Please ensure your child brings a coat to school every day. In addition to bringing in a healthy daily break time snack, we also encourage children to bring in a fresh water bottle daily to keep in the classroom.

The teaching team in class 3 is as follows: Mrs Anna Neville will be teaching Monday to Wednesday lunchtime. Mrs Anne Smart will teach from Wednesday afternoon through to Friday. Miss Karen Barlow will be teaching music and Spanish and Mr Matt Tanner will teach one PE lesson a week over the term too. We will also continue to be supported by Catherine Monroe each day of the week.

We hope everyone enjoys the beginning of the new term. Feel free to pop in at the end of a school day if you have any queries and thank you for your continued support.

Anna Neville & Anne Smart