

Dear Class 2 parents and children,

I hope you have had a fun-filled summer holidays and are ready for a busy term ahead.



This year I will be teaching the children Monday-Thursday and Mrs Richardson, formerly known as Miss Berry, will teach the children on Fridays to cover my out of class time. I am sure you will join me in welcoming her back to Landscope after having her first baby! Our lovely teaching assistant Mrs Drew will continue to support the children in class and Mr Tanner will teach the children for PE on Thursdays.

Pick up and drop off

As outlined in Mrs Ryders letter, children will need to be dropped off at **9:00am** by the gate nearest to the school house and collected from here at **3:30pm**. It is crucial that you remain punctual with these timings as this will delay start times for the whole class. Despite being able to offer calm support and encouragement, we will not be able to peel children from you so please talk to them about saying 'happy goodbyes' at the drop off point.

PE/Wild Woodland Learning

This year the children will have PE on **Thursdays** so please make sure they come in wearing their PE kit on this day. They should also come into school wearing warm appropriate clothing on **Wednesdays** for wild woodland learning. Wellies should be brought in a separate bag ready to change into. Children should also bring a coat into school every day, even if the sun is shining, we know how temperamental the weather can be! All personal belongings should be clearly labelled.

Water bottles/snacks

All children should bring in a clearly named water bottle to school each day. Fruit will be provided at break time, however children can bring in their own healthy snack from home if they wish.

Show and Tell

Show and Tell will take place on **Thursdays** (as of 17th September) on a group by group rota basis (one group per week). A note will be stuck in the front of reading diaries in the first week to let you know which group your child is in. Due to the current situation, children will not be able to bring in toys/items for this so instead we ask that you email a picture that your child can talk about. This may be something they are proud of/an achievement or something related to our current topic. We encourage this so that the session is beneficial to all children. Please email any pictures to either myself or Mrs Grant **by Wednesday evening at the latest**.

Reading

Alongside many opportunities to read in school, we hope that you will support your child by reading regularly with them at home and adding any comments to their reading record. Mrs Drew will now only change books on **Thursdays** where your child will be given 3/4 books for the week. Books will then be 'quarantined' in school for 72 hours before being returned to the library. Children should bring in book bags and reading diaries daily to support this.

Spellings/key words

Spellings and key words will be tested on **Fridays**. New spellings will be given out on this day for children to practice over the week before their next test. They will have opportunities to practice in school but it would also be beneficial if they could practice at home too.

Homework

The children will be set homework on a **Wednesday** and this should be completed by the following **Monday**. Please see the meet the teacher powerpoint slides for further information on this.

If you have any queries or worries, please don't hesitate to contact me on jenny.foster@thelink.academy or book an appointment with Amanda in the office. I look forward to working with both you and your child this year!

Jenny Foster, Amanda Richardson & Sophie Drew (Class 2 team)