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Doves Summer Term letter 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term in Doves Class. We hope you all had a great Easter break. We are looking forward to the new term ahead, as we have planned lots of exciting activities.

PE arrangements:

Our class PE/Games sessions are on Tuesday and Thursday.

Please make sure children have their named PE kit in school all week – this should be a white t-shirt and black shorts/leggings, with tracksuit bottoms in cooler weather and trainers. Football strips and multi-coloured t-shirts and shorts are not allowed, thank you.

School uniform:

Can you please make sure all of your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name (coats, water bottles, uniform, PE kit). Unfortunately, items can easily be misplaced if they are not named.

Warmer weather:

With the warmer weather hopefully coming soon, it is important that your child brings to school a sunhat which is named, along with a labelled water bottle. We also ask that you apply sun cream to your child before school, as staff are not permitted to do so. Please teach your child to do this independently.

Snacks:

Breaktime snacks are encouraged, these should be healthy e.g. fruit or plain cereal bars. Chocolate bars, biscuits, cakes, crisps, peppermints etc are not allowed. Please remember we are a nut free school due to children with serious allergies.



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Reading book arrangements: Your child will be given three books each week - RWI book bag book, RWI phonics book they have studied in class and a reading for pleasure book. These will be changed and monitored regularly by staff. Children will also have access to the library from where their choices will be scanned out so that they can borrow beautiful books to share with you at home. It is important that these books are returned and scanned back into the library. Any outstanding books will be followed up by letter. Children who are using Accelerated Reader are expected to read their book a minimum of three times to ensure fluency and understanding. As children are all at different stages, it is their responsibility to ask to quiz on their book when they are ready to do so.

Homework expectations:

Our basic homework expectations for children are:

Daily reading - minimum of 15 minutes – please record when you have heard them read in their reading record – this can just be a signature.

Spelling – spellings are given out on Monday and are tested on the following Monday. Please help your child to learn these at home, little and often is best.

Counting - oral counting, chanting and testing of number bonds works best, so the children have rapid recall of these facts which greatly improves their ability to access mathematics across the curriculum.

Times tables – Year 2 children (x 2, x3, x5 and x10)

Useful Links:

A reminder that the following websites are really useful when helping your child at home in both phonics and maths.

www.phonicsplay.co.uk

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games

Contacting us:

We value a close relationship with parents and carers, so if you have anything to share with us, including worries or concerns, please do get in touch. We are available in the mornings on the playground before the whistle, on the playground at home time, via dojo messaging or email (please email the school office admin@benwick.cambs.sch.uk).

Best wishes for a wonderful term,

Miss Wakefield & Doves Team