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Doves Spring Term letter 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Spring Term in Doves Class. We hope you all had a great Christmas and we wish you all a happy and healthy New Year. We are looking forward to the new term ahead, as we have planned lots of exciting activities.

PE kits:

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

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.

Reading book arrangements: Your child will be given four books each week. These will be changed and monitored weekly by staff. Library books and reading for pleasure books are changed each Monday, and RWI Book Bag Books and Big Collins Cat books are changed weekly – depending on their allocated day.

It is important that these books are returned and scanned back into the library. Any outstanding books will be followed up by letter.

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. It is essential that all reading books (RWI Book Bag Books



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and Big Collins colour banded books) are in school daily. Library books and reading for pleasure books are changed each Monday.

Spelling – spellings are given out on Monday and are tested on the following Monday. Spelling lists are uploaded onto Dojos. 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.

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