



Eagle Class

Spring Term Newsletter



6th January, 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope that you all enjoyed your Christmas holidays and are ready for another term's learning. The spring term is an extremely busy one for Year 6 and so I hope that you will support your child as much as you can throughout the term. This letter reminds you of the class routines, explains the changes in homework for the term and outlines briefly what Eagle class will be learning this term. I hope you find the following information useful, but please do come and see me should you want anything further explained or to discuss anything.

Homework

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for the support you have given your child with last term's homework; the quality of the topic homework was amazing. With this term, the last full one before SATs, the homework routine changes to more of a revision nature. As discussed at the meet the teacher meeting in September, the class will require 3 more CGP books. They already have a spelling one. Attached to this newsletter is a letter asking you to contribute to the purchasing of CGP revision books. These will be the books that the class use for their homework for the whole term. The school has used these for a few years now and we feel that they are a successful way to support the children. It is important that these are looked after and not lost. They should still have two folders: a maths and spelling one. These can also be used for these extra books, or if the children wish, they can use another folder from home, as some children have already done. All children should still ensure that their homework diary is at school every day. The dedication and completion of this homework is important for your child. Please encourage and support them with these tasks as much as possible.

Spring term homework timetable including **changes**:

° **Monday - Spellings and Tables**

Spelling words and CGP book activity to complete at home in preparation for a spelling test on Friday.
Tables to learn in preparation for a test on Friday and Times Table Rock stars games.

CGP books: Grammar (Spring 1) Punctuation (Spring 2) set pages completed ready to be marked in class the following Monday.

° **Wednesday – Maths – set pages from CGP book completed ready to be marked in class the following Wednesday.**

An amended record of this has been glued into the front of your child's homework diary.

In addition, children are expected to read regularly at home. There is a selection of books in our class library for the children to borrow but they are welcome to read suitable books from home as long as they can be brought into school. Please monitor your child's reading, either listening to them read or discussing the story - characters, setting, plot etc. This supports comprehension hugely. It is important that their reading book is in school daily as there will be opportunities during the day for reading.

PE

The games lesson on a Tuesday afternoon remains the same. Their second PE lesson remains the same until the end of the month where some children will receive extra swimming lessons. These children will be given a letter soon. If your child is not swimming, they will have PE at school on a Friday afternoon.

Children must have a named PE kit in school at all times. This should include **both indoor and outdoor clothes.** Trainers for outside and plimsolls for inside would be best. Games will still go ahead outside in colder weather. Please send your child in with a jumper and if possible a pack-a-mac, **a plastic bag for dirty shoes is also very helpful.** Please ensure that your child has their hair tied up and earrings are removed or that they are covered securely on PE days. Should your child not be able to participate in PE, please put this in writing to me.

Topics

We are continuing to look at ancient Greece this term. Our next topic will be Mountains and Volcanoes. In R.E we will continue to be looking at Expressions of Belief, Rituals and Practice in Christianity and Buddhism. Mrs. Kemp continues to teach science and this term will be looking at classification in spring 1 and evolution and inheritance in spring 2.

Although this year should begin to prepare your child for secondary school, they will still require reminders from their adults. Please continue to encourage and support your child to come to school prepared for the day. Homework folders containing homework diaries, correct homework, a reading book, water bottle need to be in school every day. PE kits should remain in school every day for the half term.

Dates – *Please see school newsletter and the website for more diary dates*

w/c 10th February – Parent consultation evenings (earlier than the rest of the school)

A sign-up sheet will be left in the cloakroom a week before. Please email the school office if you cannot come in.

I hope that you have had the opportunity to look at our new school website. As before, I will try and upload pictures and information about the class so please visit our class page regularly. I will also try and upload letters on there for you so you have an alternative copy.

If you have any questions or concerns that you would like to discuss, please pop in after school or make an appointment.

Mrs. Reeves

Eagle Class Teacher