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Autumn Term Curriculum Letter Severn Class

Welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely holiday.

We will be encouraging independence every day, so please encourage your child to come in through the gate by themselves, please say goodbye before the gate.

Class Teachers are always happy to speak with you and are generally available after the children have left the classroom in the afternoons until 3.45pm except for Wednesdays.

We will still have our school focus on the children developing their ability to 'Think like a learner' and challenge themselves with our class challenge learning zones.

Start of the Day -Children come straight into the classroom to begin early morning activities as soon as the doors/gates open. We appreciate your continued support in ensuring your child is at school on time, so that they can settle into class with the rest of their friends.

The gates will be closed promptly at 8.43am. Any children arriving after this time will need to enter through the main reception area and will have a late mark recorded.

School Bags -Our cloakrooms are small therefore we are asking that unless your child cycles to school that they do not bring backpacks with them. The children need to bring into school their book bags and a lunch box if they eat a packed lunch daily.

School provides all the resources so there is no need for pencil cases or other bits. Strictly NO MOBILE PHONES must be brought into school.

School Uniform- school uniform is compulsory, and details can be found on the school website. NO short skirts.

PE- our PE day is **Monday and Wednesday**. Your child is asked to come to school wearing their PE kit that day, please see our PE uniform list on the website. **Your child will not be allowed to wear earrings during PE so they will have to remove their stud earrings (the only type of earring acceptable to wear to school).**

Snack- school provide fresh fruit as a snack each day, children do not bring in snacks from home.

Water Bottles- the children may bring a **WATER BOTTLE** with water only to drink throughout the day.

Healthy Packed Lunch- There is guidance on the school website regarding the contents of a healthy lunch box- sweets and chocolate including chocolate coated biscuits, are not allowed and will be sent home with your child at the end of the day. **WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL SO NO FOOD CONTAINING NUTS TO COME INTO SCHOOL.**

Medical Conditions- Please let us know if your child has any medical conditions that we need to be aware of. If your child suffers from asthma, an inhaler should be kept in school, please check it is in date.

Absences from school - It is essential that school is notified by telephone (01823 252126) before 8.45am of illness. If the school is not informed, then enquiries by our attendance worker will be made as to your child's whereabouts.

Reading- Please support your child's progress with daily home reading, **this is still very important in KS2.** Can you all be vigilant with the reading at home; we have a very small minority who aren't putting ANYTHING in their books or reading at home. We can't emphasise how important it is for you to support us in school, by **INSPIRING** them and **URGING** them to get the book out and **READ** and **TALK** about the book! We all have busy lives, we know, but we can't do everything in school; it needs to be a partnership. Your child really benefits from reading at home. The children need to read their books on a regular basis, and a comment needs to be written every time they read.

English and Mathematics this term

Literacy

- Fiction - Warning Tale: Little Red Riding Hood
- Non- Fiction - Newspaper Article: Woodcutter Saves the Day
- Non Fiction - Instructions: How to Defeat A Monster
- Poetry - Performance poetry.

Maths

- Adding and subtracting across 10
- Numbers to 1000
- Right Angles

Science- this term the children will learn about:

- Animals and Humans: focussing on animals and humans needing the right nutrition from what they eat; identifying that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.
- Rocks: focussing on comparing and grouping different types of rocks; how fossils are formed and that soil is made from rocks and organic matter.

RE studies focus on Christianity - God and incarnation.

Other subjects

Art: Leonardo Da Vinci: Renaissance style sketching using pencils. Georges Seurat: Impressionism style using paint.

DT: Understanding seasonality. Designing, making and evaluating a seasonal fruit tart.

History: Changes from the Stone Age to Iron Age

Geography: Comparing Somerset (Taunton) to Il de France region (Paris)

Computing: Stop Frame Animation; Connecting Computers

PSHE: Relationships: Families and friendships; Health and Wellbeing: Health choices and habits; expressing feelings.

PE: Outdoor PE- Ball skills; Creative game making; Indoor PE - Gymnastics: stretching, curling and arching;

Dance: Unit 1 - Who am I? The Language of Dance

French: Greetings, numbers 0 - 20, colours, days of the week and the months of the year.

Music: Writing music down; Playing in a band

Homework for KS2 pupils is daily reading, practising their text maps and projects linked to our other studies. If you wish to do other activities your child would benefit from you helping them to learn their multiplication tables and help them learn the spellings expected for each year group, please see your class teacher for a list of these.

Thank you.

Miss Esch