

Spring Term Newsletter Dolphin Class 2022



'Feed the mind, nurture the spirit, free the imagination'

Stand true in what you believe. Be courageous, be strong. And do everything with love. 1 Corinthians 16:13-14



Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back!

Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you for all the Christmas wishes, cards and gifts I received. Your kindness and generosity never cease to amaze me. Thank you.

We hope you have all had a great break and have managed to stay safe and well. We are looking forward to an exciting term. The class organisation will remain the same with me teaching the class all week. Mrs Kirwin teaching on a Thursday afternoon, covering my planning, preparation and assessment time. Mrs Plummer teaching Year 2 Maths.

Kind regards Mrs De Silva



A warm welcome

We are pleased to give a warm Dolphin's welcome to Jack who has joined our class. We hope that he will be happy with us and enjoy being in our school.

A Prompt Start

The term is already underway and the children are settling into our new routines brilliantly. They may have told you that we have a slightly different routine in the mornings. In order to make the most of our learning time, it is really important that we get a prompt start to the day. This means that we must register promptly at **9.05am**. Children should be in and settled with all of their things ready for our phonics/ spelling session to begin at this time. It is so encouraging to see how brilliantly the children are managing this independently. It does take some children a little longer than others, however. Please could we ask that you give your child the best chance to ready themselves, by ensuring they are in school at **8.50am**; it really does give us a productive start to the day.

P.E

Dolphins will continue to have their PE lesson on a **Thursday**, please send your child into school in the correct kit and trainers. PE will take place inside this half term and hopefully outside after half term.

Kit list:

Blue t-shirt

Black tracksuit bottoms/leggings/shorts

Plain blue or black fleeces

Homework

Reading

Reading will continue as last term. Your child will be given new books each Monday. **They keep the same books all week** to encourage fluency and comprehension.

They are all expected to read at least 5 times a week at home. Please could you **record, in your child's reading record**, when they share a book at home.

Sturdy trainers

As and when the weather allows, we will also continue to do the daily mile around the field.

Spelling Shed - keep using this to support the learning of the weekly spellings, it really does make a difference.

Maths Shed – all the children have a login for this. It really does support their understanding and fluency if you are able to use it.

Key Dates

10th/11th February – Dolphins to forest school (days for your child will be confirmed nearer the time)

17th February – Music Assembly to share our work this half term.

21st – 25th February - Half Term Week.

1st March - Shroving – please bring a small posy of flowers.

3rd March - World Book Day/Books At Bedtime– further details nearer the time.

30th/31st March - Parent Teacher Meetings.

1st April – Open Afternoon to share homework.

8th April – Welly Walk **School ends at 1pm today for Easter.**

Please look out in the newsletters Mrs Brooke continues to send out for any other dates/events that take place.

A reminder that if you have any worries, queries, or concerns, PLEASE get in touch. If you don't tell us, we can't help!

Please use the details below if you need to speak to one of us.

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The team look forward to working with you and your child this term. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs De Silva, Mrs Gedye and Mrs Turner.