

Welcome to Topaz Class



We hope you have had a lovely summer. I am sure we are now all ready to start the new school year. The Topaz Class team are looking forward to the opportunity to get to know you and your child, and also the prospect of a happy and productive school year.

We believe that, with your support, your child will make excellent progress. We of course, will be considering some of the learning that has been lost, due to lockdown. But we are confident the children will catch up in the time we have together, through careful monitoring and formative assessment.

In the classroom we share and respect each other. We will always be kind and good listeners. We work quietly and will always try our best. We will learn how to model good manners and behaviours...

Mostly, we will be having fun!

I will be the teacher in Topaz Class this year. Mrs Dawson will be working alongside me as our class learning support assistant. Mrs Pollitt will also teach the children all day Tuesday and a Thursday afternoon. If you feel you have any worries or concerns throughout the year, please do not hesitate to contact me at school either by phone, by calling in after school or emailing.

Reading

Your child will be required to read at home, on a regular basis; both to themselves and aloud to an adult. If you could sign it to say they have read, that would be great. Please return it to school daily in their book bag, as we will be recording individual reading sessions and guided sessions in the reading record.

Forest School

Forest School is on a Thursday. For now, children should bring their forest school kit just for this day. They will return home with it that evening.

Homework

Homework for English, Maths and Spelling will be set on a **Friday**, and should be completed and returned to school before the following **Wednesday**. Your child's homework will be set on Google Classroom. There is a space for parents to comment if they wish.

It is important that all homework set is completed and back in school for the deadline. If not, this will delay the marking and feedback process.

Break time

Children can bring a piece of fruit for a snack at break time if they like. They should bring a full water bottle for drinks throughout the day. Please ensure only water is sent to school in these bottles. Tuck is available every day for up to 70p per item.

P.E.

PE/Games are taught twice a week on Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure your child has their own full PE kit in school at all times and that all items are clearly labelled (royal blue shorts, white t-shirt and trainers). Your child may require a jumper for PE/Games as some sessions may be outside. The kit should be left at school until the last day of each half term.

Could you also ensure that your child's jumper is named?

Website

Our School website is up and running with lots of information about our school and activities/links for your child to access. This year I am hoping to develop our class page to update you of various class specific information throughout the year.

Watch this space for updates...

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