# <u>Class Two</u>

## Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year. I do hope you all had a great summer break.

Class 2 this year will consist of Year 2, 3 and 4 children. The children will have two teachers including myself Mrs Tamsin Mammatt on a Monday, Tuesday and Friday and Mrs Lindsay Marvin on a Wednesday and Thursday.

We are very lucky to have our very experienced Mrs Tamsin Hopkins as our class Teaching Assistant in the mornings and Miss Tamara D'Silva in the afternoons.

Here is some more information that you may find useful.





## Reading at Home/ Homework

The expectation in Class 2 is that you support your child in their reading by means of hearing your child read every day. Reading little and often (around 10 minutes a day) and focusing on: sounding out unfamiliar words, checking the meanings of words and checking for overall understanding are all great ways to help your child with their reading. Each time you read together please write a comment in their reading diary. Books are changed as and when needed.

Your child will also receive spellings on a weekly basis. We dedicate two lessons on spellings in school each week, so children become familiar with the rules or similarities given to them. The expectation is on continuing the learning of their spellings at home.

Periodically, your child may be given other homework however this will be clearly stuck into their homework diary, and they will be given ample time to complete this.

Class Dojos are used throughout the school, as our reward scheme. Dojos (points) can be earned for many things: helping others, good manners, trying hard etc. Your child will be awarded a certificate when 25, 50 and 100 Dojos have been earned. We also look to see how many times children have read at home each week and, if the Reading Record Book has been completed at least four nights out of five, your child will be awarded three Dojos.

Children will also receive 20 minutes of 'Golden Time' on a Friday afternoon. This is when children are rewarded for their hard work during the week. Every child begins the week with 20 minutes. Time will be removed for inappropriate behaviour, but only after suitable warnings and an explanation of why the behaviour was inappropriate.

## PE Kits/ Forest School Clothing

Please make sure that your child has their PE kit, in school at all times. We will endeavour to keep PE to the same afternoon each week however we are influenced by the weather!

We will do Forest School periodically throughout the year and you will be notified regarding clothing for this in





#### **Times Table Rockstars**

Class 2 will be signed up to Times Table Rockstars! This is a digital way to help promote learning of times tables.

Shortly, each child will be given their username and password in order to do their times table practice at home. These can be done on any electronic device (android or apple) either by using the website <a href="https://play.ttrockstars.com">https://play.ttrockstars.com</a> or downloading the app.

We will also be using this system in school as a way of tracking and tailoring children's progress. We will also be rewarding children that complete a minimum of 20 minutes practise each week.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions. You can email the office or speak to either myself or Mrs Marvin to arrange a time to have a conversation as it can be difficult first thing or at home time when seeing the children out!

Here's to a busy and enjoyable Autumn term!

Mrs Tamsin Mammatt and Mrs Lindsay Marvin



