

September 2023

### **Year 1 Green Class News Autumn 2023**

Welcome back to school, we hope everyone has had a wonderful summer. We have an exciting autumn term planned based on the topic, 'All about me' and our local area. Please see the attached topic web for more information on the learning that will be covered during this term.

We are looking forward to a busy year full of fun learning. Detailed in this letter are the most effective ways you can support your child this year to enable them to reach their full potential as well as important information about Green class and what they will need.

#### **Reading**

We are continuing with the Little Wandle scheme which you have been using in Rainbow class. We will ensure all login details are given out and checked before we set an online book. As before, your children will read the book 3 times in school, firstly to decode the words, secondly to develop their fluency and thirdly to support their comprehension.

We have seen a huge improvement in reading since introducing this scheme, so encourage you to support your child at home with these three reads to give them the maximum benefit. Your child will have an orange reading record book. This is for you to write notes in if you have any concerns and also to record when they have finished their 3 reads at home. Please write the title of the book and then simply tick it three times as they read it. They will be set a new book each Friday so there is a week to complete the reads. They will also bring home a library book of their choice on a Friday as we want to encourage reading for pleasure and sharing books as much as possible.

#### **Spellings and Phonics**

We will publish a phonics sheet on dojo each Friday which will detail the new sounds we have learnt that week as well as tricky words and some reading and writing practice. If you are able to spend some time looking at these sounds it will help children to retain them, meaning they can move onto the next sounds without getting behind. We may from time to time send home a catch up pack of sounds if there are some children that need to revisit some of the new sounds.

#### **Maths**

We may set an online task from time to time or send a sheet or game home in line with that we have been learning in school, a message will be sent via dojo so you know when to look out for these. We will also write a weekly overview of what we have learnt so you can discuss with your child and do some extra practicing.

### Weekly timetable

You will see that the morning routine stays the same each day then the afternoon activities are listed underneath.

Monday Mrs Hooper	Tuesday Mrs Hooper	Wednesday Mrs Hooper	Thursday Mrs Holding	Friday Mrs Holding
Morning task Phonics Practice reading Maths English				
Handwriting and vocabulary	ICT	PE (indoors)	PE (outdoors)	Art and DT or Forest school
RE (Mrs Crake)	Geography and history	Music and PSHE	Science	

### Reminders

Miss Mason is our TA in Green Class and is in every day. We, as teachers, message each other regularly and complete a weekly handover so be assured all messages are shared to keep us up to date.

Please make sure your child has a PE bag on their peg every day as some times we might change into trainers on a non-PE day to complete our daily mile.

Mrs Holding will keep you updated on when forest school clothes need to be in school as this will not be every week so keep an eye on dojo.

Your child is welcome to bring in a morning snack if they would like. Fruit is still provided however there is no milk provision in year 1. Please make sure the snack is sugar free, ideally fruit or vegetables. Also please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day, cartons or juice bottles are not appropriate for school.

Please check that all uniform, PE kits, snack pots, hats etc are named to avoid losing anything.

As always, don't hesitate to contact us via dojo if you have any queries or just need to drop us a quick message. We check regularly and aim to reply on the same day or the following day if not within working school hours.

We are looking forward to a fun and busy year and hope your child has a wonderful time in green class.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs Hooper and Mrs Holding