

Little Green Junior School - Year 3 Newsletter

Summer Term 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Many parents find it useful to know what will be studied during the term so that they can best support their child at home. This newsletter will provide you with the relevant information and a few reminders. Attached is our Summer Term topic web for you to see the topics we intend on covering.

Link Books

Please ensure that your child brings their Link Book to school **every day** and that you **sign** it each evening to indicate you have seen it. Please use it to communicate things with us; some matters are better discussed face to face and we are always happy to meet with you or have a chat over the phone.

Homework

We value your support in encouraging your child to complete their homework. Homework is set in accordance with the School Homework policy of:

- One **30 minute task** once a week (English, Maths or cross-curricular tasks) – a mixture of open-ended and set tasks. The homework will be given on a **Tuesday** to be handed in the following **Monday**.
- **Reading** – aloud to an adult for 10 minutes, 5 times a week, alongside discussing the text as you read to help with understanding. We ask parents to ensure the **Reading Record has been signed** and comments written about each read as this information is the basis of reading stickers and rewards; the children will be awarded a reading sticker for their bookmark if they read aloud to an adult 5 times in that week. **Reading records are checked each Monday**.
- **Spelling practice** – Children will be given spellings to learn weekly (given on **Thursdays** and tested the following **Wednesday**). Home learning of spellings can be done in a variety of ways e.g. written test, look-cover-write-check, writing sentences, rainbow writing, etc. and must be done for at least 5 minutes, 5 times a week. **Any practise (in or out of the book) should be dated and signed to show they have practised 5 times in that week**.
- **Learning and practising times tables**. Children will each be given a target to work on and they will be tested regularly to work towards achieving their 'Times Table Challenge'.

We run a Homework Club which children can attend to help them manage their time for homework. Children will also be asked to attend if they have not completed their homework/reading/spelling practice **or to an expected standard**. This is in place to support learning and not as a punishment.

If your child is struggling with their homework and has spent a reasonable amount of time on it (approx. 30 mins) then please encourage them to seek help from their teacher, rather than struggle on, and also let their teacher know. If your child has completed the task in a different way/format, again please let their class teacher know.

PE

There are 2 longer timetabled slots for each class, as well as timetabled shorter Daily mile sessions (on the 3 days when the classes don't have their specific games/PE sessions).

Holly – Wednesday (PE), Friday (Games)
Elm – Tuesday (PE), Wednesday (Games)
Ash – Tuesday (PE) & Friday (Games)

The normal PE kit is essential and all their kit (clothes and footwear) should be marked clearly with

their name. Children with long hair must have a simple hair-tie as part of their kit and earrings must be removed or covered with micro-pore tape from home. They should also have a **change of socks.** Children need to bring suitable sports trainers (**not fashion trainers**) for their games lessons and the Daily Mile sessions. If children have football boots/shin pads they can wear these for the Games/Football sessions.

Although we are hoping for lovely weather this term, please ensure your child has a **basic waterproof jacket** in their PE bag so that they can still participate in outdoor physical activities even when the weather isn't as good.

For further details please refer to the School Uniform Policy available on the School's website www.littlegreenjuniorschool.co.uk.

Art Aprons

Again we will be doing lots of painting this term; so that your child's uniform is kept as clean as possible please ensure your child has an art apron/old shirt in school at all times, clearly marked with their name. Children should also have their hair tied back for Art and DT lessons.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, either in person or via the Link Book. Thank you for your continued support.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

70th Birthday of Little Green and Malvern Way Schools 10th – 14th June

Yours sincerely,

Miss Sedgwick

Mrs Crawford

Mrs Rowland

Miss Marriott

Miss Brauka