Rabbit Class





A very big welcome to you all! The Rabbit team have been very excited to get to know all our new Rabbits and to hear about their holiday news.

It has been fantastic to see how quickly the children have been able to find their pegs, trays, and register labels. We are also very proud of how well the children have settled into this new school year.

Rabbit class are well supported by our teaching assistants Mrs. Macey (Monday-Thursday) and Mrs. Price (Friday).

Topic

This coming term our topic is 'Reach for the Stars''. With a cross-curricular approach, we will be learning about our bodies: how we use them, labelling the different parts and exploring our five senses. We will also be learning to describe the properties of every day materials and linking this learning to our study of old toys in history. In RSE/PSED, we will explore the people who are special in our lives.

In history, we will be learning about Neil Armstrong as a major historical figure. We will also be designing and making our own rockets in D&T!

We will be having a toy workshop on Monday 11th November to support our learning in history. More information will be provided at our **'Meet the Teacher'** meeting on Friday 12th September at 9am.

In geography, we will be learning about the Puttenham School environment; looking specifically at our classroom and the school grounds.

Timetable

PE this term will take place on <u>Wednesday</u> <u>mornings and Friday</u> afternoons. Please send your child into school in their PE kit on these days. Please also ensure your child has a named waterproof coat in school **every day** to support outdoor learning.

Home Learning

The most important homework is reading **every day**. We use the Read Write Inc. scheme to teach phonics and reading in school. Children will continue to receive a book bag book and an e-book each week.

Please continue to hear your child read and note this in the reading record diary. Your child should be encouraged to retell the story to you, discuss characters and new vocabulary as well as be able to express their own opinion on a book. It is also valuable to read to your child regularly to develop their ideas, vocabulary and model the importance of expression! Our phonics scheme allows us to assess the children regularly to ensure they are in the correct groups. Our judgements are based on several assessment areas; please remember that it is not just about reading fluently.

The Read Write Inc. Phonics and Reading meeting will be on the morning of Friday 26th September in the Hall with Miss De Filippis and Mrs Dynan.

Reminders

- Please remember named water bottles every day.
- Named book bags need to be brought into school daily and checked in the evening, as we will frequently send letters and important messages home.
- Milk for snack time can be ordered online at any time.
- Snack (fruit or vegetables) is provided by the school.
- Please let us know if your child is going home with someone other than you. The office has a clipboard for you to sign. If there are any last-minute changes in childcare, you may phone the office and they will inform us in class.
- Children must have a waterproof coat/jacket at school every day. This can be left on the children's peg.
- Please send in a white glue stick for your child to use in class.

Class Dojo

We will be posting information each Friday about the following week's learning. It is a nice opportunity for you to talk about and see what your child has been learning about in class.

We post key vocabulary linked to the upcoming maths and literacy teaching to support future learning.

Volunteers

If you have any spare time, and would like to offer your help with school trips, Forest School, reading, art activities, mounting work for displays or filing, please let us know. Any help, whether it is in Rabbit class or in another class is always very much appreciated.

Finally, we look forward to working in partnership with parents and are always happy to answer any questions that you may have. We are really looking forward to working with you and teaching your children this year!

Class teachers: Mrs. Glowacki (Mon, Tues, Wed) and Miss Laver (Thurs, Fri)

Teaching Assistants: Mrs. Macey (Monday-Thursday) and Mrs. Price (Friday)

