

## Hello!

We have really enjoyed welcoming all of the children back into school. Thank you for all of your support with the changes happening in school. The children have settled really well and we are looking forward to a great term!

Don't forget if you have any questions or queries please contact us on the following emails:

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## Topic work



Our topics for this term are 'Through the door' and 'Extreme Earth'.



## Our PE days are

Mr Hartley - Tuesday and Friday

Miss Illingworth/Miss Slack - Wednesday and Thursday.

**PLEASE COME IN PE KIT ON THESE DAYS.**

## Reading / Spelling



Reading is vital to success at key stage 2

Due to Covid, the children will not be bringing home a reading record or book from school. However, they will all have a levelled book in school and we would encourage children to read books at home. All children have a login to MyON where they can access hundreds of different books, personalised for them and complete quizzes.

Please read regularly with your child (3 – 4 times per week). We will be checking weekly who has logged onto MyON and how many times you've read.

We will teach the children new spellings on a Monday in school. These will then be uploaded to Onedrive to practise at home.

The children will be tested the following Monday

## General reminders

Children are still welcome to bring a fruit break to eat at morning play.

Children only require a small book bag in school and must bring a coat each day. Please make sure these are named.

Just a reminder that it is school policy that earrings must not be worn and nail varnish should be removed.

## Water bottles

Due to Covid-19, all children are required to bring a named water bottle which they will keep on their table each day. This should be taken home each day and refilled. It should only contain water.

## Pencil cases

Children can bring a small pencil case with colours in. This **must** fit in their drawers (as we can't leave any equipment on tables due to deep cleaning) and all children have a named pencil, pen, ruler, scissors, glue etc. already in school.

## Tissues

We would encourage children to bring a pocket sized pack of tissues to keep in their drawer at school.

## Diary dates

All of these dates are provisional in accordance with government advice and social distancing.

- 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> September – Fitness testing
- 18<sup>th</sup> September – School council manifesto reading
- 25<sup>th</sup> September – School council elections
- 9<sup>th</sup> October – School photographer – individual/families
- 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> October – Parents evening (TBC due to Covid)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> October – INSET day
- 4<sup>th</sup> November – Flu/immunisation
- 4<sup>th</sup> December – PSA Winter Fair 5-8pm (TBC)
- 8<sup>th</sup> December – Carol service St Peter's Church 6.30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> December – Y5/6 Party day
- 18<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term

## SATs

In the summer term of 2021, children in Year 6 will take their SATs . **The dates are 10<sup>th</sup>- 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021.** Children will sit tests in: Reading, Maths, Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar. Children's writing levels will be assessed internally but may be moderated externally.

## Times tables



It is an expectation that all children know up to 12x12 by the end of year 4. Children all have a personal login for Times table rockstars which can be accessed from home. This is a great website to improve children's fluency with their times tables as well as their division facts.

We will be checking weekly who is logging on and setting competitions throughout the term.