

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome you and your child back to the Summer Term; I hope you enjoyed the holidays and the children are well rested for a busy term. I am very much looking forward to the term ahead with the children in Base 3.

Our Learning Journey for this term is based on a Benjamin Hulme-Cross text, 'The Pharaoh's Charioteer'; alongside this text we will be utilising a range of other quality texts to support our writing. We will be undertaking a range of exciting and interesting activities to find out as much as we can about Egypt and the Ancient Egyptians. Please see the termly plan for an overview of some of the learning we will undertake. If you feel you can contribute towards our Learning Journey in any way (artefacts / books / photos, support in class with a particular skill etc.) it would be warmly welcomed.

### **Expectations**

It is important for the children to continue to develop their independence and for them to take more responsibility for their learning. I will continue to challenge and support your child in their learning, but will expect your child to do their very best and contribute positively to our class so that we all have a very rewarding and successful term. It is really important that we work together to help your child succeed both personally and academically.

### *Arrival at school*

Good attendance is necessary for good progress. We are trying hard to increase our class attendance to win Golden Tickets. Please help us to do so! Please ensure your child arrives between **8:45 and 8:55am** ready to start the day. Morning activities (Maths and Literacy based), which consolidate or challenge the children's learning, are set up for this time in readiness for registration of the class by 9am and a smooth transition into the literacy lesson.

### *Monies and messages*

All monies (in a named envelope) and messages must come into school via myself to assist Mrs Rowlands in the office at the start of the day. It is important for the children to bring monies and messages in for themselves to help them become responsible and independent.

### *Outdoor clothing*

As the weather continues to be very changeable, please ensure your child has a jumper and a coat with them and as the weather warms up it will be necessary for them to come with sun cream on plus an appropriate hat.

### *Dinner Money*

A school dinner continues to be £2.30 per day, please pay dinner money as soon as possible to support Mrs Warner in the kitchen.

### *Snack*

Snack will be available for Mrs Warner at break times each day, but if your child wants to bring a snack from home please ensure that it is a healthy snack as we are promoting healthy living.

## Base 3 Timetable

We will have daily Maths and Literacy lessons with the afternoons dedicated to our Learning Journey, which will include Science, Art, Design and Technology, Geography, History, Music and ICT. There may be times where some of these subjects will be linked due to the nature of the task.

On Mondays the children now have an extra PE lesson so will need their PE kits in all week. On Thursday afternoon the children will receive an hour of RE with Mrs Clarke and an hour of PE provided by Sportscape.

The children will continue to receive a 30 minute French lesson with Madame Sharpe, in their year groups, on Friday mornings.

We are being joined by Mrs Cador for most of our Literacy lessons this term; we are very much looking forward to her support and expertise.

BASE 3 – TIMETABLE

Day	8:45-9:00	9:00-9:25	9:25-10:20	10:20-10:40	10:40-11:00	11:00-12:00	12:00-1:00	1:00-1:20	1:20-2:20	2:20-2:25	2:25-3:15	3:15-3:30
Monday	Registration and focus activities	Spelling / Phonics / SPAG	Literacy / PE	Playtime	Literacy / PE		Lunchtime	Assembly	Maths	Brain Break	Guided Reading	Class Reader
Tuesday		Spelling / Phonics / SPAG	Literacy		Guided Reading	Maths		Assembly	ICT / Music		ICT / Music	
Wednesday		Spelling / Phonics / SPAG	Literacy		Guided Reading	Maths		Learning Journey	Learning Journey		Learning Journey	Class Reader
Thursday		Spelling / Phonics / SPAG	Literacy		Guided Reading	Maths		Sportscape (PPA)	Sportscape (PPA)		RE (PPA)	RE (PPA)

Day	8:45-9:00	9:00-9:55	9:55-10:40	10:40-11:00	11:00-12:00	12:00 – 1:00	1:00-2:20	2:20-2:25	2:25-3:00	3:00-3:30
Friday	Registration and focus activities	Spelling / Homework	French (year 3 – 9:55-10:20) Year 4 – 10:20-10:40) / Times tables and mental maths	Playtime	Literacy	Lunchtime	Learning Journey	Brain Break	Learning Journey	Assembly

## PE

**PE kits** (red top, black shorts/trousers, trainers, black jumper) must be in school EVERYDAY, especially **Monday and Thursday**. PE kits should then be taken home to be washed over the weekend and brought back into school on Monday. There may be opportunities during our Learning Journey lessons for additional PE sessions so PE kits may be needed on other days. The children will be reminded that it is their responsibility to make sure PE kits are in school.

## Homework

Regular homework will be sent on the Fridays to be returned by the following Thursday:

- **Literacy and Maths**
- **Times Tables -Test day Friday**
- **Spellings -Test day Thursday**

To be practised 5 times throughout the week before the test.

- **Daily Reading**

Reading should be done daily, for at least 15 minutes, with comments written in the reading record.

## Home time Arrangements

Please do notify me of any changes to home time arrangements at Meet or Greet in the morning or by phoning the school office.

**Open door**

My door is always open and I am always very happy to help should you have any concerns, wish to share information that is relevant to your child's well-being or require additional information regarding your child and their learning or progress. I will be at the door every morning or you can arrange a time to meet with me at a time that is convenient for the both of us.

I am looking forward to an exciting and enjoyable term with you and your child.

Mrs Heaton