

Homework

Reading is a key skill that children focus on during their first years at school through listening to stories, practising their phonics, reading in a group and to an adult. Please support this by trying to hear your child read everyday at home for 5–10 minutes.



Homework will be sent home by Friday 14th September.

Spelling books will be updated with sounds and spelling words we have been learning in class. These are not tested but any extra practise your child can do would be fantastic.

Keep an eye on our class blog for updates and see the top tab for links to games and activities linked to our class learning. You can access this via the school website—speak to me if you can't find it.

Extra hands (or ears!)

We always welcome extra hands in the classroom, whether occasionally, or on a regular basis. So if you have a DBS check and would like to help with our projects this term, can spare half an hour to hear readers, or are free on our trip dates, please let us know!

Green Class Year 1

Miss Living
Mrs Bales

Information for parents and
carers



Autumn Term 2018



Welcome!

Welcome back to Sutton Infant School. We are very excited to start the year. We do hope you all had a lovely holiday. I understand that it is always nerve racking for both parents and children at the start of a new year especially when your child's teacher is new to the school, so please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions or just want a chat please do come and see me. I am excited to get to know you all and am excited for this year.

Curriculum

This term we will be focusing on getting to know your child and making sure that they feel happy and settled in Green class. Our topic this term is 'journeys' focusing on babies and how we have changed. In the second half term we will be focusing on transport. In our first half term we will be exploring the books 'Avocado Baby' 'Mr Gumpy's Outing' and 'How to Catch a Star'. We will be using these books to help us develop skills such as writing in sentences using capital letters and full stops, exclamation marks and question marks. We will also begin to look at joining sentences together using conjunctives such as because, or, but, if. We will also be focusing on reading comprehension this half term, so when reading at home with your child please check their understanding by asking them questions about what they have read.

At the start of term Maths lessons will focus on place value and ensuring they understand which each digit represents in a 2 digit number. We will be comparing and ordering numbers to 100. We will then move on to addition and subtraction. After the holidays we will be looking at measurement including length and mass. The children will then go on to learn about multiplication and division.

In Topic, we will do lots of things based on journeys, we will be exploring maps and compasses and as part of this we have an exciting trip on the Broads planned! Children will be looking at local maps and also learning to label the countries within the UK. In Art/DT, children are going to look at Wassily Kandisky and Piet Mondrien with a focus of mixing paint. In computing, we are going to learn our new logging in system and we will be doing some basic word processing, we will also be doing some coding. We will also look at internet safety. In PE, we will be looking at key skills and focusing on team work and social skills.

In PSHE, we will be working with the children about 'rights and responsibilities, as well as continuing to support their growing understanding of British Values throughout the year. Year 2 brings lots of new responsibilities around school including Collective worship helpers.

Routines

Everyday at school, your child has a phonics session, a literacy and maths lesson, guided reading activities and attends collective worship in the hall.

PE lessons are on **Monday and Thursday**. Please ensure that full PE kits are in school on these days, that long hair is tied back and that earrings are either removed or covered up. I would recommend leaving PE kits in school all week if possible.

Trainers are also required if children wish to use the equipment on the field at playtimes. It is useful to have wellies and a coat in school should we go out when it is wet or use the wildlife area. On a Tuesday morning Mrs Holmes will take the class for RE and music.

As we listen to children read in school, please try to send in their reading folder with books, records and any tag words every day. Please try to read with your child each day at home. This really will help your child to make good progress in reading.

Please remember your child needs a water bottle in school and any extras depending on the weather (suncream / hats / extra layers).



Trips and Events

Please do check the newsletters as they come out as they will have the most up to date information.



Fri 14th Sep—First celebration assembly
Fri 21st Sep—'I wish' parent assembly with tea
Fri 28th Sep—KS1 Broads Tours trip
Tues 2nd Oct—Open morning
Fri 5th Oct—Grandparent day assembly
Tues 9th Oct—Parents' eve 3-6pm
Weds 10th Oct—Parents' eve 3-4.30pm
Fri 9th Nov—Learning café with parents and carers
W/B 12th Nov—Anti-bullying week
Fri 12th Oct—Harvest service at church, family fun night
Fri 30th Nov—Christmas crafts
Tues 11th Dec—Nativity 10am
Weds 12th Dec—Nativity 1.30pm
Fri 14th Dec—Christmas lunch
Tues 18th Dec—Church service 9am, Christmas jumper day, party lunch