

Cusgarne Community Primary School

Class 3 Information 2019-2020

General Procedures:

Registration is at 8:45am. The children are supervised in the playground from 8:30am. As staff are preparing their lessons in the morning, please could any messages you might have for the class teachers, including a request to speak to them, be given to the staff on duty.

There is a breakfast club from 8:00 am (a small charge applies) for those parents who wish to drop their children earlier. This, and payment for lunches, trips etc is now payable using parentpay. Please see Mrs Hall or Holmes if you require help with this.

Class arrangements and organisation:

There are three year groups in class three. During the morning sessions, when we teach Maths and English, Mr Barnard supported by Mrs Pascoe will teach the year 4's in the library. Mrs Murray will teach the year 5 and 6 children in the classroom and is supported by Mrs Ireson. Wherever possible, Mrs Ireson and Mrs Pascoe will cover any days that either Mrs Murray or Mr Barnard are out of school. During the afternoon sessions, when the foundation subjects are taught, Mrs Murray supported by Mrs Ireson will teach the children as a whole class.

It is important that the children are not late in the morning as lessons start at 8.55 am. The whistle goes at 8:45am; the children line up with their class and enter school through the main door. All coats are hung up and lunch boxes are placed in the trolley. All PE kits are hung up in a named bag on the appropriate pegs. The year 6s have a locker that they may use for their PE kits. The year 4 children then go straight to the library with their book bags to be registered with Mr Barnard, while the year 5 and 6 children put their book bags into the boxes in the classroom before the attendance and lunch registers are taken promptly at 8.50. Between 8.55 and 9.15 every morning all the children have a daily phonic, spelling and handwriting session with either a teacher or TA. It is vital that they do not miss the start of this session.

Things to remember:

Mondays: Return PE kit when taken home to be washed. It is important that your child has their PE kit in school throughout the week.

Tuesdays: Year 5s and 6s need to return completed homework in the homework folder, and hand to Mrs Murray. Year 4s need to bring their home work in to hand to Mr Barnard. Also in the Spring term the year 4 and 5 children will go swimming on Tuesday afternoons.

Thursday: Bring in any certificates, trophies and medals for Celebration Assembly.

Fridays: Take PE kits home to be washed. Spelling and multiplication tables are tested. Homework folders are sent home, along with new spelling lists for the next week.

Some children who pay for music lessons will need to bring their instruments in on the designated afternoon and put them at the back of the classroom and remember to take them home the same day.

Curriculum:

At the beginning of each term a topic web and a knowledge organiser will be sent home which gives you more information about planned learning within the different curriculum areas. We have a three year rolling programme to ensure the curriculum is covered throughout their time in Class 3. Our topics this year are 'The Human Body, The Romans, Forces, The Railways, Materials, Ancient Greece and The Olympics.'

We follow the national curriculum for each year group, supported by our three curriculum drivers: Mental Health and Well-being, Global Awareness and Skills for learning . We also follow the agreed Cornwall RE syllabus.

Spelling: Practice sheets are given out each Friday for children to learn at home with you throughout the following week (these sheets do not need to be returned.) In school, we continue to practice each day to prepare for the regular spelling test held each Friday. We will also be practising our multiplication tables on a weekly basis which are also tested on Friday morning.

PE: Our designated days are Tuesdays and Wednesdays. There is also a KS2 football club on Monday 3-4pm and a KS2 sports club for class 3 on Monday 3-4pm. However, PE kits need to stay in school every day as timetabling is flexible based on our weather. We will do games outside where possible so the children will need trainers for this. Indoor gym and dance lessons will be done in bare feet, unless your child has a verruca. Plimsolls are not required.

Reading: We encourage the children to read every evening at home to parents. Parents are required to sign the reading record books so that we can reward the children with 'a read' each day (including 2 at weekends.) Reading bands are presented each week in assembly when the children achieve 15, 30, 50, 80, 110, 150, 200, 250, 280 'reads.' Those children who achieve the highest black band for 280 reads are also rewarded with a fun day out at the end of the year. Children who are heard regularly at home usually make more than the

expected progress in reading and are more likely to develop a love of reading. In school, children in class 3 are heard either individually or within their year groups every week. Our daily English sessions also focus upon reading different texts on a whole class/ small group basis. We have ERIC time in the morning to promote individual quiet, sustained reading. In addition to our reading scheme books, the children have the opportunity to choose a library book which they can swap throughout the week. Parents may read a non-scheme book to their child at weekends and this will be counted as one of their weekend reads. Free readers may choose books from our class library. We encourage them to read a range of book from different genres throughout the year.

Homework: The children are provided with a homework folder, which contains a menu of activities for you to choose from during each term. In addition, sometimes the children will be given Maths and English CGP workbooks. The homework is designed to complement the learning in class each week and therefore it is important that they complete the homework given each weekend/ Monday night. We expect the children to spend at least 30 minutes (an hour for the year 6s) on their homework which should be presented to a good standard. The homework will come home on Fridays and needs to be returned to school by the following Tuesday. They may earn extra team points if they have completed their homework to a high standard. They will also get a certificate for finishing all homework tasks each term. Please do not hesitate to talk to us if there are ever any problems with homework or if you need a pencil or additional resources.