

Cusgarne Community Primary School

Class 2 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 two year groups in class 2. During the morning sessions, when we teach Maths and English, I will be supported by Mrs Buckley and in the afternoons I will be supported by Mrs Pascoe. Wherever possible, Mrs Buckley and Mrs Pascoe will cover any days that I am out of school. During the afternoon sessions foundation subjects will be taught.

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 placed in the appropriate team boxes underneath the coat pegs. 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. Return completed homework folder to Mrs Buckley.

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 2. Our topics this year are 'Materials and changes, The Victorians, Weather experts, The Great Fire of London, Local studies and learning on our doorstep.'

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 Mondays and Wednesdays. There is also a KS2 sports club for Year 3 on Thursday 3-4pm and KS1 sports club for Year 2 on a Wednesday 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 2 are heard read 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. We encourage children to read a range of book from different genres throughout the year.

Homework: Class 2 children are provided with a homework folder, which contains a menu of activities for you to choose from each week. In addition, the year 2s will be given CGP workbooks or additional SATS practice tasks to complete in the Spring term. The homework is designed to complement the learning in class and therefore it is important that the children complete **one piece** each week. We expect the children to spend at least 30 minutes on their homework which should be presented to a high standard. The homework folder needs to be returned to school on a **Monday** for the children to get their record sheet stamped. It will be returned to you on Friday so that you have the weekend to complete their task. 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 of the nine 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.