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CE (Aided) School

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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents/Carers of Dragonfly Children,

Welcome to Dragonfly Class! I hope you all had a fantastic summer and your children are all ready for the new term.

Just a few points .....

### PE

PE will be on **Tuesdays**. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school at the **beginning of the week** and that **everything is named**. Could you please ensure that extra clothing is also kept in your child's PE kit just in case of any little accidents. Should your child borrow school clothing please ensure that it is washed and returned to school as soon as possible.

### Forest School

Dragonflies will be going to Forest School **weekly** and sessions will be on **Fridays**. Again please ensure your child has their Forest School kit in school at the **beginning of week** and that **everything is named**.

### Water

Please ensure that your child brings a **drink of water (not fruit drinks)** to school each day. This needs to be in a labelled bottle that we can keep in the classroom which can be accessed during the day. You may also wish to provide a separate drink for lunch time or they can use the same one.

### Snacks

Your child will receive a piece of fruit and milk during morning break. Should you wish to send an additional snack please ensure this is a **healthy** snack.

### Book bags

We will be supplying the children with plastic zip wallets for their reading diaries and books. These should be sent to school daily.

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## Homework

### How you can help your child at home:

- Your child will be bringing home a reading book and diary. Please write in your child's reading diary the pages your child has read at home and sign it. The first reading books will have no words, talk through the story with your child and encourage them to retell you the story. The next set of reading books will have small consonant vowel consonant words in that they will be able to phonetically read. The words that they will be given will contain letters that they will have learnt in class.
- As part of our phonics work they will bring home a phonics mat for you to help support the sounds we are learning in school in any given week.
- Your children will also bring home a key ring with 'tricky words' to learn. These are words they cannot sound talk and need to learn as a whole. These words can be taken off the key ring so you can play games with them such as hiding them and they read them when they find them or have them face down and turn them over one at a time to read.
- WOW moments.

We are looking forward to an action packed term.

Please do not hesitate to book an after school appointment if you need to speak to us at any time.

Yours sincerely

Miss R Elvins  
Dragonfly Class teacher