

Class Cremyll & Class Plym Newsletter
Spring Term 2020

Welcome back to school! This term our big topic question is 'What do things need to live?' The children will be investigating the world of animals and the different types of animals there are including amphibians, reptiles, mammals and birds. They will also explore how animals grow from babies to adults as well as finding out what they need to live.

PE Kit

Labelled PE kits should be available in school for the whole term and kept on your child's peg - this half-term, Class Plym PE sessions will be on a Monday and a Wednesday. Class Cremyll PE sessions will be on a Wednesday and a Thursday/Friday. Please check that your child's school plimsolls/trainers still fit comfortably. We will often be outside - jogging bottoms can be worn in the cooler months.

KS1 Homework

Spellings will be given out on a Friday in the form of a half-termly spelling booklet and will need to be practised through the week. The spelling booklet will be due in the following Friday and spellings will be checked.

Number facts also play an important role in ensuring the children feel confident in their maths learning. Playing games that involve numbers, spotting numbers at home or when you're out and about as well as practising times tables are easy ways to build children's confidence.

From time to time there will also be whole school homework to link in with whole school topics or local/national/global events. Consistent effort in homework activities will be rewarded with house points and where extra effort has been noted, homework will be shared with the rest of the class.

FS & KS1 Reading

Reading continues to be a priority across the whole school. It is imperative that all children in **KS1** read **at least 5 times a week** to an adult at home and this should be recorded with an adult's signature in their reading records. Please remember to talk about the stories, poems or factual books that your child is reading as this builds their confidence when discussing their ideas in class.

In keeping with the incentive system, reading records will be checked every day and the children will gain a merit each time they have read the night before or over the weekend. When they have gained 10 merits, they will get a prize from the class prize box. If they do not have their reading record signed, they will not receive a merit.

Should you have any concerns about your child's time in school please do not hesitate to contact the school and make an appointment to see us or the head teacher. Regular attendance is vital to your child's education; it is closely monitored and referred to Educational Welfare where necessary.

Please read the weekly newsletter for forthcoming events and dates.

Yours sincerely

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