



# Class England Termly Newsletter Autumn Term 2020



### Class News

Welcome to Class England! We hope that you all had a wonderful summer, and are as excited as we are for the year ahead! It was lovely to see the children before the holidays, if only a little briefly, and we are looking forward to working with you to help your child be the best they can be! It is obvious how settled all of the children are, and we have every confidence that this will continue! Please remember that our main form of communication will be ParentHub, so please check this regularly.

# Physical Education- PE

Our PE sessions will be on a Friday morning, so pleasure ensure your child wears their PE kit to school on this day. Some PE lessons will take place outside and it can be cold, so ensure you provide tracksuit trousers/ sweatshirts or similar, along with appropriate footwear. If your child is unable to take part in a PE activity, please speak to us or send a note into school.

Please remember to name PE kit to minimise items getting lost.

# Our Topics for the Year

We are excited to introduce our new topics for the year. If you have any experiences or resources you would like to share for a particular topic, please come and speak to us.

Term 1: All about me and my family

Term 2: Our local area

Term 3: Toys

Term 4: Weather and seasons

Term 5: Castles

Term 6: London landmarks

#### Reading

Please remember to sign your child's reading record when they have read and to say that they have finished reading their book. Once an adult, in class, has checked, children will be responsible for changing their own reading book. We do try to check all children have chosen the correct colour book and encourage them to take it home at the end of each day. We aim to hear children read at least once a week, by an adult from the class, and will sign the reading record accordingly.

## Home Learning

Home Reading and Reading Records - Over the next few weeks, we will begin to send home reading books. Initially, these may be books without any words which you can use to talk about the story with your child, identify characters and favourite parts.

Please note that we may sometimes write messages to you in your child's reading record, so please make sure you check this regularly.

Phonics/ Sight Vocabulary Words - as we move through our Phonics program, we will periodically send home "Rainbow Sound Cards" and "Word Bugs" for your child to practice at home. These will be phonemes (sounds) and tricky words (words that cannot be sounded out). There is no requirement for these to be returned, and you can use them as often as you like. Please help your child by ensuring they are able to read and write the phonemes and tricky words that come home.

Numbers and Shape - please support your child at home by helping them to recognise numbers to 20 and shapes. You could do this by talking to your child about which number house they live at, or by spotting numbers out and about, for example, in shops or on the road. Help your child to identify shapes in their environment and ask them to explain how they know a shape is a certain shape (for example, a triangle always has three sides).

I hope you find this information useful. Please do not hesitate to catch myself or another member of the EYFS team on the playground or drop us an e-mail if you have any further questions.

Best Wishes, Miss Leggett