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Class: Ruby

Teacher: Miss Foster September 2018

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a brilliant summer and are looking forward to the new school year. The children have come back enthusiastic and ready to learn which is wonderful!

Curriculum Information

We will kick off this term with a week of getting to know each other activities where we can spend some time familiarising ourselves with our environment and routines. We will then begin our 'Explorers' learning journey, which will offer lots of exciting learning opportunities across the curriculum. Please see the attached 'Topic Overview' sheet which gives more information about how this topic will link with the rest of the curriculum.

Key Skills to Support at Home

Please continue to read at home with your child as regularly as possible and record this in their yellow reading records. These records will be checked regularly so are an excellent form of communication between home and school.

Requests and Reminders

Our PE sessions are on Tuesday and Thursday. While the weather is suitable we will continue our weekly swimming lessons. This term our session is on Tuesday afternoon so please ensure your child has their swimming kit on this day. Please make sure every item in your child's PE and swim kit is clearly labelled with their name.

Ruby Class are looking for good quality toys to support our in-class learning. If you have any construction toys, dollies and clothes, dressing up clothes or anything else that can be used to support our learning please either give them directly to me or leave them in the office. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Homework

In Ruby Class, children will be given a homework folder to store their weekly sheets. Homework will be given out on Monday to be completed by the following Monday. This will consist of a maths activity and a personalised spelling list. Spelling quizzes will occur on Monday mornings. Certificates and rewards will be given to those who have tried their best to practise their spellings and maths at home. Please don't hesitate to speak to me if you have any questions about spellings or homework.

Show and tell

'Show and tell' will happen on Thursday afternoons. A timetable of when your child's show and tell will occur will be sent home with this letter. In Ruby Class, our show and tell items must be about our current topic. We especially like to see home-made items inspired by our in-class learning.

Finally, if you have any questions or concerns about anything at all, please do come and speak to us - we will always try to make time to talk to you. I am personally available after school and will always be willing to arrange an appointment time that would suit you.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Foster