



Dear Parent/s,

Welcome to the new school year; we hope you have all had a fantastic summer holiday. We are looking forward to meeting the children in Year 3 and welcoming back the children in Year 4. Our topic for the Autumn term is, 'How to wash a woolly mammoth'. Please see the reverse side of this letter for an overview of our learning and links to the National Curriculum. Below, we have put together a list of things that will be happening this term as well as our class routines. If you have any queries, or wish to discuss anything regarding your child, please don't hesitate to telephone school to ask for a meeting.

Yours,

Mrs Downings and Mrs Turega

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Mrs Turega will teach the children on Mondays and Tuesdays and Mrs Downings will teach them for the remainder of the week. Supporting us in class, will be Mrs Hussey, Mrs Rudder, Mr Swann and Miss Fay on various days throughout the week.

On **Monday** afternoons, the children will have either **Forest Schools** with Mrs Rudder or **Music** through the Wider Opportunities scheme. Please make sure your child has a Forest School kit in school at all times, in particular, a waterproof coat.

**PE** with Mr Swann will be on **Tuesday** afternoons. PAS will continue to teach the class on **Friday** afternoons.

Please see the website for information on the **correct school PE kit and Forest Schools kit**.

**Swimming** will begin this term for both Years 3 and 4. Please expect a letter next week to explain this in more detail.

**Spellings** will be set and given to children on **Fridays** by Mrs Downings and will be practised in the classroom every day ready for a test the following Friday. Please help your child by practising these at home. You can access their weekly spelling lists on the class webpage.

**Times tables** will be set and given to children on **Wednesdays** by Mrs Downings and will be practised daily in the classroom. Please encourage your child to practise these at home. Every child has a TT Rockstars account that they can access at home and in school. Login details can be found in the front of your child's Reading Record.

**Reading books:** Throughout the week, members of staff will hear your child read and all children will regularly take part in Guided Reading. The children will be able to take a book and a reading record home daily, but they must remember to **bring them both back the following day**. We will change books as and when the children finish them. In Key Stage 2, children access Accelerated Reader and are given a Book Level for their reading books. This will be recorded in their Reading Record and reviewed at the end of each half term. In addition, they can also access **Bug Club** to read a wide variety of books online.

**Homework:** Throughout the week your child will be expected to learn their spellings and times tables and should try to read every evening. On **Fridays**, your child will bring home either one Maths task or one English task to complete and return by the following Friday. Their homework will be an activity based on what they have learnt that week. This is to help the children to consolidate their learning and to give them some extra practise.