

Welcome to the Autumn Term 2017!

We hope you had a lovely summer holiday and are pleased to be getting back into the school routine!

A huge welcome to everyone in 'Emerald' class, we are very excited about working with you this year. This is just a short note to outline what goes on in this class with respect to homework etc.

Children will be heard read (wherever possible) once a week. You will be informed of your child's reading day and ask that reading books and reading record books are brought to school on this day. Please take this opportunity to write a comment in the reading record book to let us know how your child is getting on. We can then work together to help your child progress with their reading. Children are responsible for selecting their own books to read, choosing from a range of fiction/non-fiction titles. We have found this approach to be very successful in encouraging children to read.

PE will usually take place on Wednesday afternoons but we ask that PE kits be left in school all the time in case we do a sporting activity on a different day. They can be taken home and washed during the holidays. In addition to PE, the whole school takes part in a morning run on the field for 10 minutes every day. Your child will need trainers to participate in this activity which can be kept in their PE kit.

English and Maths homework will be sent home on Mondays to be completed by the Friday of the same week. The maths homework is a reinforcement of the work carried out from the previous week. This will give your child some extra practice and ensures parents are kept abreast of what their child is doing in this subject. This should only ever take approximately 15 minutes. If your child is struggling to complete it in this time – please stop and write a short note to explain what they find difficult or pop in and see us. We will then follow this up in class.

In the mornings in Emerald class **we ask that parents say goodbye to their child on the playground, helping them to line up when asked.** We feel it is important that they learn independence as they progress through the school and, when given this opportunity, children adapt to this routine very well.

Please feel free to come and ask if you have any questions.

Many Thanks,

Mrs Hunt, Mrs Bushell and Mrs Radbourne

