

## **Great Chesterford C. of E. Primary Academy**

### **Class 2 Newsletter – Spring Term 2020**

Dear Parents and Children,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a relaxing and restful break and a lovely Christmas. Thank you so much for all your lovely gifts and cards – they were very much appreciated.

This term, our topic is 'Healthy Living.' In this topic, we will focus on growing and changing, healthy lifestyles, balanced diets and healthcare from the past and in the present day. In addition to our main topic, the children will be completing a small topic on India towards the end of the term – please let me know if you have any artefacts which may be useful. For more detail of the proposed activities this term, please see the topic web.

Staffing arrangements will remain the same as last term. Mrs Barden will continue to teach the class every Wednesday morning. Mrs Brackstone (Monday), Mrs Gascoyne (Tuesday to Friday) and Mrs Balchin (Friday afternoon) will continue to support the class. Mrs Middleton will teach music on Friday afternoons.

#### **PE**

PE will now take place on a Monday and a Wednesday. Please could you always make sure that the children have their PE bags in school. The children will be doing some PE activities both inside and outside this term and so it is very important they have a pair of tracksuit trousers and jumper with them for all sessions – no hooded tops please. Earrings must be removed for PE. Long hair should be tied back at all times during the school day.

#### **Reading**

Reading is an incredibly important part of the children's homework. They should read for approximately 10-15 minutes per evening. On occasions, your child may be particularly enjoying a book from home and might be keen to read it rather than their school book. If this happens, please leave a note in their reading record so we are aware that they are still reading regularly. When your child has read at home, please record where they have got up to in their Reading Records. A date, title and page number is sufficient. Time will continue to be set aside for changing books on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### **Homework**

The expectation is that all children will complete weekly homework tasks. Maths homework will continue to be set on a Friday and handed in on the following Friday.

Please could any sheets be stuck in the homework end of the children's orange books to prevent them from getting lost. Maths work should always be completed in a pencil, with a title and date. Children should spend about 15-20 minutes on their homework. Homework will be set from Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

Our class assembly this term will be on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020. It would be lovely to see you there if you are able to attend.

Finally, please do not hesitate to speak to me if you require any further information. I look forward to an exciting and hardworking term ahead!

Yours sincerely  
Mrs Butler