



S1 Spring 1 2019 Newsletter

Mrs P Rutter & Mrs K Turley



Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring Term. We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for another busy term.

This term is ENGLISH TERM— our focus for this term is grammar, punctuation and spelling (GaPS) This will provide the theme for our class assemblies.

Humanities

For our History unit this term we will be looking at the Romans, studying life in Roman Britain and it will be the theme for our school trip this term.

Reading Challenge

The Million Word Challenge is a literacy campaign promoting reading outside of school time. The initiative challenges children to read MILLIONS of WORDS throughout the school year. Please take time to encourage your child to continue reading to promote this challenge.

Games and Activities

All S1 children may bring their own hockey stick for games and break time Hockey League this term, however it is not essential they have their own as we have spares in school. Sticks should be clearly labelled and can stay at school in classrooms. Boys need to have shin pads for football on Mondays. Trainers should ideally stay in school for break time activities – these should be hung, in bags, on pegs. Children will need one indoor pair of trainers (white) and one outdoor pair (black). **In the interests of health and safety, earrings must not be worn for Games/PE days.**

Also swimming kits need to be in school every Monday in case of bad weather.

Parking

We would like to remind you that parking restrictions and notices in the car park are for your child's safety. Please follow the instructions and park carefully with consideration for others.

Useful Websites

<http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/Homework/Romans.html>

Times Tables

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Just a reminder

Homework is written down as:

Must – All Children to complete

Should – Extension work

Could – Challenge

The children are expected to do 20 minutes homework as well as reading with discussion and practise their times tables. Please also encourage your child to read a variety of books at home and not just plough through the reading scheme books.

Absence due to illness

Please may we remind you to phone in by 10 am on the morning of your child's first absence so we can make a relevant note in the class register. Also please write a letter upon return as to why your child was off school.

Uniform Please ensure every item is labelled.

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform each day in particular hats, caps and coats. Hair accessories should be grey, red or yellow in colour.

Diary Dates

08.01.19—Full timetable begins

11.01.19—Clubs Registration

14.01.19—S1/S2 House Swimming

17.01.19—S1 Assembly

18.01.19—S1 Coffee Morning

01.02.19—FOMC Family Disco 6-8pm

14.02.19—S1 School Trip to the Museum of London

15.02.19—S4's Bring & Buy Sale

Week beginning on 18.02.19—Half Term

Week beginning on 25.02.19—English Week

01.03.19—Charities Day:

'Harry Potter Dressing Up', Sponsored No Homework, Cake Sale

11.03.19—Victoria College Music Exams

21.03.19—Festival of Dance (ind.)

22.03.19—Festival of Dance (class) Seniors @ 2.30pm

25.03.19—House Football

26.03.19—House Hockey

27.03.19— 6—a side Break time Hockey League Playoffs

29.03.19—Senior Prize giving @ 11am

Term ends @ 12 noon

Let's make this term a 'reading term'.

"The ability and opportunity to read widely is an important part of being human."

M. Haddon