

## **Reminders about the School Day**

The school day begins at 8.45am. From 8:30am there will be at least 1 member of staff stood by the FS2 gate ready to welcome you and your child.

The member of staff will be happy to pass on any messages to the relevant teacher or a meeting will be arranged if appropriate.

The school day ends at 3.15pm. Please wait behind the wooden fence until we open the gate and wait for your child to be called. Children who are not collected by 3:25pm will be sent down to the office. You will need to sign them out from there.

If for any reason there is a change to your child's normal home time arrangements you need to inform the office, who will in turn, send a message up to class. Due to safeguarding, if we have not been informed of any changes, we will not be allowed to dismiss your child and a phone call will be made to you.

## **Summer Uniform**

Children should wear the correct school uniforms at all times.

After the Easter holidays this changes to the summer uniform:

**Boys:** Grey trousers or shorts, with a white button down shirt, blue school tie and royal blue jumper.

**Girls:** A royal blue and white checked summer dress (not playsuit) and a royal blue cardigan. If tights are worn they should be navy blue, black, grey or white. Socks should be white. Hair bobbles and clips should be school colours.

## **Please continue to read regularly**

We are really proud of how the children's sound knowledge has developed over the past term and we will continue to work with the children in differentiated RWI groups on a daily basis, focussing on digraph and trigraph phonemes.

Children's home reading books will continue to be changed on a Monday and extra RWI books will added as they are completed in groups. Please try and read with your child every evening, concentrating not only on the words in the book but also on your child's understanding of what they have read. To help us keep a log of this it is vital that you sign your child's diary when you have heard them read.

We have also sent 'tricky word' book marks home for the children to practise reading and writing. These are words which cannot be sounded out, they simply need to be learned.

## **Wellies and Sun Hats**

We still ask that wellies are kept in school so your child can enjoy the water play in the FS2 outside learning area as well as Forest School.

Alongside this we now ask that you send into school a named summer hat to protect them from the sun and a pair of sunglasses on days you feel appropriate.

## **Come and read with your child!**

A little reminder to you all that Every Wednesday morning at 8:30am - 8:45am we invite parents into the classroom to have an opportunity to read with your child. As soon as you arrive on that morning you can come straight in and read their reading book with them. We will be available if you would like to ask questions about how to read effectively with your child. As soon as you hear our tidy up music you are free to leave so we can make a prompt start on the day's learning.

## **P.E.**

P. E. for both classes will take place on a Thursday afternoon. Please make sure that PE kits come back into school upon our return from the Easter holidays. This terms focus will be on sports day skills.

Please make sure that their P.E. kit is clearly labelled so lost items can be returned.

For safety reasons, please do not allow your child to wear any earrings on P.E. days. On other days, only stud earrings are permitted.

## **Our Topics**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Half Term**

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

- The children will learn the story using a story map.
- They will then 'innovate' the story by changing 1 part.
- They will learn about lifecycles.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term**

Farmer Duck

- The children will learn the story using a story map.
- They will then 'innovate' the story by changing 1 part.
- They will then learn about the farm in preparation for our school trip to the National Forest Adventure Farm.

## **School Trip - Linked to Farmer Duck**

We are very excited to be going on our annual school trip to Packington Farm during this term. Details have been sent out via Parent Mail and we will continue to update you as we get closer to the event.

## R.E.

**Good News-** Our first R.E topic will give the children an understanding of how the Disciples felt once Jesus had left them and sent the Holy Spirit in his place. They will learn how Christians share the 'Good News.'

**Friends** - Our second RE topic shows us the importance of friendship. It looks at the qualities a good friend needs and how Jesus was a good friend to others.

**Universal Church** - Our final topic of the summer term teaches us about 'Fair Trade'. How God created this wonderful world and we all need to work together to ensure that it is looked after.

## Name Labelling

As you begin to replace winter clothing for summer clothing can you please make sure that you label every piece before it comes into school. As you can imagine it is very difficult to return items if they are not named.

## Reward Points

The children in FS2 will be joining the whole school reward point system after Easter. Children collect reward points from the teachers throughout the week for things such as fantastic effort, following the class rules or being kind to others. Once they have got a few in their 'bank' they can use them to buy items from the rewards point shop.

Should you have any queries or worries, please don't hesitate to chat briefly to us at the beginning or end of the day. If you have any issues that you feel require a longer meeting, please make an appointment through the school office.

Mrs Bennett and Miss Johnson

# Summer Term in Foundation Stage 2 at St George's School

