

Mannington Class News

September 2014

Welcome back to school. All the children have settled well into their new classroom routines. Here is some useful information for the new year.

Class Timetable

On the back of this letter is our draft timetable for this year. We are not quite working to the full timetable yet and there will be small changes throughout the year.

Class Rules

The children have drawn up and signed their own set of class rules, these are displayed in class. Please take the time to read these and support your child with keeping them.

PE

This year PE will be on Wednesday and Friday, please make sure your child has their kit for these lessons. If they have earrings can they be removed on these days please and can long hair be held up with bobbles as any 'hard' accessories such as clips would need to be removed for the lesson.

Reading books and Homework

Please continue to change your child's reading book when you come into school in the morning. Reading record books give you a place to record the books they have read at home as well as space to leave comments.

In Year 1 homework mostly takes the form of reading at home together, from this term we will also send home each week a short letters and sounds activity that your child can complete with you. This will go home on a **Wednesday** and can be returned by the following **Monday** to the homework tray.

In a week or two I will send home our 100 words list for the children to learn

Show and tell

Your child is always welcome to bring interesting things in to share with the class. Just like last year your child's

It is always great to welcome parents into school to hear readers or to take groups for specific tasks, if you would like to do this please let me know.

There are always lots of questions at the start of a new year and if the information in this newsletter doesn't answer all of yours, please do come in and see me.

In fact if there is ever anything you would like to discuss, please come and see me.

My email address is tgleeson4nru@nsix.org.uk please use this to contact me if you would prefer.

Also use this to send photos into school for show and tell or topic work

Mr Gleeson

group has one day a week for their show and tell. I have written this day at the top of the page.

Topics

Our first topic for this term is Our School. Your child is welcome to bring in books, photos and pictures to share with the class. This year much of our literacy work will be based on our topics.

Maths

This term we will doing a lot of number work. Our first class target is to read, write and order numbers to 20. Following this we will be learning to name and describe common 2-d shapes.

School Trips

This year the class will be going on several class trips. The Governors of the school pay for the transport for all trips and so often there will be no charge. The first two trips this term will be announced soon.

Writing Cup

Each week the writing cup is awarded to a child who has made significant effort or achievement in their writing. This is something I expect all children to accomplish.

Merits

The class merit chart is up. Children receive merits for personal achievement. More information is printed next to the chart.

Library books

Library books are changed each Friday please help your child to bring their book back each week.

Story Cafe

There will be a Story Cafe this term with details to follow.