

## Robin Class Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and kindness during this period of remote learning. The engagement of children during our live lessons and their approach to the learning set on Google Classroom has been incredible.

### Return to school

I am very much looking forward to seeing all the children back in Robin Class on Monday 8th March. Over the coming days and weeks we will focus on making sure the children are happy and settled, giving them time to re-ignite positive relationships, develop personal, social and emotional skills and focus on re-establishing routines. I have also attached a term overview of our learning for this term.

### Reading

When we return, reading books will continue to be sent home on Mondays and will need to be returned to school on Friday morning each week please. I will review how the children are reading once they are settled back into school and there may be some adjustment to your child's reading level. This will be carefully matched to their phonics ability and following recommendations from the Literacy Hub who we work closely with. I will have a discussion personally with you at an appropriate time. Please continue to read with your child regularly at home.

We will continue our guided reading sessions of 3 times a week, focusing on the same book 3 times to encourage

fluency. Firstly we decode, then encourage prosody and finally comprehension.

### Authors

Our text for the term is *Lights on Cotton Rock*. Using this text we will be consolidating and strengthening your child's writing and grammar skills through a teach/apply approach. We will also use this opportunity to build up writing stamina through short pieces of writing each week.

### Enquiry:

I have been so pleased that you, as parents, have been able to experience our approach to Enquiry learning during this time. The enthusiasm and engagement from the children has been very positive.

As you are aware our first Enquiry this term is *How Do We Live a Healthy Life?* Our challenge for this Enquiry will involve an element of cooking which will focus on our Engineer objectives. To prepare for this challenge please could I ask you to involve your children in making your meals (as much as you feel comfortable with) over the next few weeks. We will also be scientists during this Enquiry and learn about what animals need to survive and how they obtain their food by looking at simple food chains. During our enquiries we aim to include as much practical experience as possible as we know this is the best way for our children to learn.

Our second Enquiry, which will continue into Term 5 is -  
*How do plants grow near me?*

## PE

This term PE will be continue to be on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure your child wears suitable PE kit to school on these days, including trainers.

We will be using the field at playtimes and lunchtimes and also for outdoor learning. Please could you check your child's wellies for size, if they are too small please take them home to recycle.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Once again I am so grateful for your ongoing support and look forward to seeing you all soon.

Kind Regards

Mrs S Wiggins