

Otters

Looking Ahead to Next Term

Hello and welcome everyone to Otters Class!

I hope you all have a lovely summer holiday; I cannot wait to hear all about your adventures. Below is a summary of information ready for a smooth transition back to school in September.

We have got an exciting autumn term ahead of us, filled with interesting and fun topics. Before half term our focus is history and our topic is 'The History of Toys'. We will be discovering how toys have changed over time. The children will bring in their favourite toy to share with the class and compare it with toys from their parents' and grandparents' childhoods. Through discussion, observation and handling different toys, they will learn how materials, technology and play have changed across generations while developing their understanding of the past. If anyone has any interesting old toys from the past that we could borrow to support our learning, please let me know. We would love to share and explore toys from different generations as part of this topic.

Children will each have their own locker in the locker room where they will keep their belongings. Please ensure they have their book bag or small rucksack in school with their reading diary, book and water bottle.

They should bring their PE kits in on a Monday morning and they will bring these home on a Friday afternoon.

We are very lucky to have Mrs Harryman supporting our class Monday – Thursday mornings and Mrs Martin in the afternoons.

Homework will continue to be reading at least five times a week and recording this in reading diaries. I will be checking reading diaries on a Thursday morning to check who has been reading over the previous week and those with five comments in will enter the raffle for the chance to win a prize!

Otters also have a maths CGP weekly workout book to complete. Year 1 will earn a raffle ticket for this and Year 2 get awarded merits. Year 2 are also expected to be going on Times Table Rockstars at least 3 times a week for a minimum of 5 minutes. They will be awarded raffle tickets for this.

I am looking forward to getting back to school and getting to know my new year 1s. If at any time you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to catch me at the end of the day (after I have dismissed the children) or make an appointment through Mrs Yates.

Miss Gibson