

## Dear Parents

We hope you all had a good summer holiday and are feeling refreshed for our new school year. It's lovely to welcome back old faces as well as some new ones, in particular Charlotte into Year 1.

We have lots of exciting things planned for this half term, more details will follow over the coming weeks in the main school newsletter.

Please can named PE kit be returned to school ASAP. This can remain in school, it will then be sent home at the end of the half term for a well deserved wash! PE days are Monday and Friday so any child with long hair needs to remember to come to school with their hair tied back.

A separate letter will inform you of this half term's topic and areas of study.

## <u>Staff</u>

Mrs Mather will teach as follows:-Monday—literacy, numeracy, dance and science.

**Tuesday**- literacy, numeracy and computing.

Wednesday morning—literacy and topic eg. geography and history.

Mrs Browne will teach as follows:-Wednesday afternoon— numeracy and group reading.

Thursday—literacy, numeracy, RE, Music and PSHE.

Friday— literacy, numeracy, PE and art/ DT.

Phonics/spellings are taught daily.

**Mrs Wilson** our teaching assistant, will provide full time support in the Infants.

Important events coming up soon.....

Please can all **Year 1 and 2** children bring a **shoe box** to school **asap**. If you haven't got one we do have a few spares.

Thursday 8th September Y1 and 2 to bring a special book to school for RE - details to follow.

Thursday 15th September Y1 and 2 to bring a Bible/Bible story to school, if they have one. Reception to bring in a favourite story book - details to follow.

Please could all reception children bring in a photo of their family from home.

Homework (Please ensure reading books are in book bags daily)

**Reading** - your child will read with an adult individually as often as possible and as part of a weekly group read.

**Years** 1 & 2 should read to an adult at home regularly, preferably daily for 15 to 20 minutes. New books will be given out if a comment has been recorded in the reading record book and we are confident they are ready for the next book.

**Reception** will receive their book bag and books at the end of September once initial work has been undertaken. A letter will accompany the books to explain everything.

**Reception** children will also bring home keywords and phonic sounds to practise. These will be sent home later in the term with a letter to explain.

**Spellings**—**Years 1 & 2** A weekly test will take place on a Monday with new words being given out on the same day. Please ensure spelling books are in school on that day.

Number — Years 1 & 2 A plastic homework folder will come home on a Wednesday with some number facts to learn or occasionally an activity to complete. Please return work in the folder on Wednesdays.

If at any time homework is causing a problem please let us know.

We have high expectations so please encourage your child to complete homework neatly. Thank you

Finally....

We are always in need of parents or grandparents to help listen to children read. If you can spare an hour or so each week we would love to hear from you. Please call in and see us.