

Sapphire Class Autumn 1 2022 Newsletter

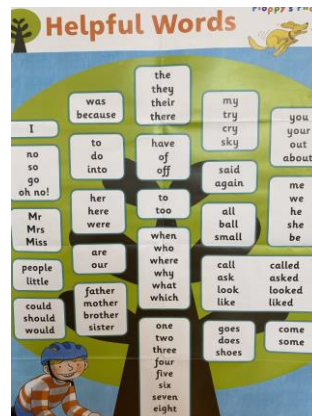
Class Staff



Mrs Whelpton Miss Eaglen Miss Harrison Miss Morley



Our classroom is full of helpful tips.



Reading

Reading is a crucial part of a child's development. We follow a very comprehensive phonics scheme called Floppy's Phonics, which you can read more about on our website.

To support reading at home please read with and to your child as much as you can. Rereading books for fluency (reading and re-reading) and therefore developing a deeper understanding is what we are aiming for. Your child will also have the opportunity to choose a book from the school library. This book is likely to be at a higher level than they are reading but can be read to them by an adult.

Reading books are changed on Fridays.

The next half term: the curriculum

This half term the children will be focusing on settling into new routines, they have already enjoyed using the classroom environment and spending time with their peers. In English, the children will develop their punctuation, spelling and letter formation within their sentences whilst being immersed in our class texts. In Maths the children will develop their knowledge of place value and learn new strategies for addition and subtraction. Geography will be our focus subject this half term. The children will be developing their skills and knowledge when using maps and photographs to identify the features of the local area. In Science we will be learning about what animals need to be healthy and how we look after pets. We will also observe the change in the season and weather. Towards the end of the half term we will have our harvest celebration, the children will learn songs and poems to share with you all.

PE and Games

Please send your child into school with their PE kit on Monday and take it home on Friday. PE days may change at short notice.

PE kit is black shorts/jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and suitable footwear.

Attendance

Good attendance is not only essential for good progress but also gets children into habits that will set them up to lead a happy and productive life.

We expect children to attend school every day and on time unless they are too ill. If your child is too ill to attend, please call the school office on 0113 5128746 option 1 by 8.30am to advise Mrs Walmsley of your child's absence.

Please be aware that we do carry out home visits as part of our attendance protocols.