Lime Class Key Facts for Parents: Autumn 2019

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Who is teaching the class this term?

Lime class staff this term will be Miss Beth Roberts 3 ½ days a week and Miss Eleri Stephens will cover 1 afternoon for my PPA and Mr Paul Holland will cover 1 day for me to have management time as Deputy Head, ALNCo and Responsible Individual for 3@Cradoc. Every other week Mr Paul Holland will also teach an extra day to help me address the new ALN transformation programme. I have a number of responsibilities at Cradoc and if I have to be out of class to fulfil these then my priority is good teaching and consistency in my class.



What does my child need to have in school?

The following need to come in and stay in school please:

- Slippers/Croc style
- Wellies / waterproof leggings as and when the weather changes
- PE Kit (navy or black shorts, white or house colour T—shirt or polo shirt (not football or rugby tops), jogging bottoms and sweatshirt for outside activities.

Daily:

- Drink, in a refillable container
- Reading book and reading diary. There is no set day of the week for hearing children read / changing their book, so it is important that books are in bags every day please.
- Children can bring their own pens, pencils in a pencil case but stationary will also be available in school. If your child has a pen licence they will be writing with a black biro.
- Sun hat and cream the children will be expected to cream themselves and not share cream with others.

When is their PE day

The children will normally have 2 PE lessons per week, one on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Lessons will be outdoors as much as possible. **Please leave kit in school as lesson times may change.**



Reading

I have access to an LSA on occasions and she will try to listen to children 1:1 as often as they can, but this term the children will be listened by me during guided reading sessions. Children can change their books daily in class; they can also bring books in from home and read topic books too.



X tables

All children have a log in and password to Rockstars (https://ttrockstars.com) which can be found in their reading diary. They have all accessed it in school and know how to log on. I have individually set the x tables that I would like them to practice and can see how they are getting on. If they don't have access to a computer etc, then practicing on paper and chanting is just as good.



Spelling

Spelling will start this half term as soon as I have assessed and found the correct level for each child. On **Friday** children will be given either a list of words to learn or a spelling pattern to find words to match the pattern. These will be in their red homework book – these books should be used for practicing their spellings and **need to return to school on a Thursday.** Spelling tests this term will be on a **Thursday.**



<u>Homework - Back to the Brilliant Basics!</u>

In Lime class, each week your child will have spellings to learn and x-tables to practice and I'd like them to read, where possible every day for 10-20 mins. Listening to your child read as often as possible really does have an impact. Remember you do not always need to be sitting right next to your child in order to listen to them read. You can ask them to read while you are driving, folding laundry, preparing meals, etc.



How you can help at home

A lot of basic, but important practical activities for Maths can be done at home such as playing shops with money as well as using money out in the real world, counting their savings in moneyboxes etc. Telling the time is so important and can be a tricky concept so the more input on this the better. Play board games linked to counting and money. Encourage any form of writing, writing your shopping list, thank you letters for birthday presents etc. For their Health and Wellbeing, limit screen time, encourage exercise and ensure they get enough sleep!