## Adults



Mrs Gittins - Class Teacher Mrs King - Teaching Assistant Miss Davies- Apprentice Teaching Assistant

# PE

PE is every Monday Tuesday afternoon/morning.

Please could children bring a PE kit which can be left in school Monday to Friday (or all half term if you wish to).

## Water

Children will no longer have a water bottle provided by school. You may send your child to school with a fresh water bottle each day. At lunch time children are given the option of water, milk or juice.

We do not encourage children to bring juice to school in a water bottle as this can be harmful to their teeth as well as affect their behaviour.



<u>Punctuality and Attendance</u> School is open at 8.45 every morning and the register is

Any child who comes into school after this time needs to go through the front entrance of school to alert the office staff that they are here as they will be marked late.

# Homework/Reading

Children will bring home a reading book at the start of the school year and I encourage all parents/quardians to spend time with their children reading books (school reading books and books from home) together every night whenever possible as this will help your child to make the most progress.

Reading books will be changed regularly but we need to see that your child has read their book at home so don't forget to write in their reading diaries (even just the date and stating that they have read will help us to know that they have read).

At some point in the second half term your child will start to bring home spellings.

Some children will have made great progress with their reading and will have start to have a go at reading their own books at home. This is fantastic practise for them and we encourage children to read all kinds of books to you and to themselves, however we ask that for now you also encourage them to read the books that we send home for them at least three times a week as the books are specifically chosen to help your child to interact with text at just the right level for their phonic understanding as well as their ability to comprehend what they have read.

Homework is optional and will be available each week if you wish to work with your child to consolidate some of their learning at home.

# **Topics**

Our first topic in Year One is 'Super Foods'.- Linked to Super Tato/superheroes. Children will access literacy, numeracy, science, geography and history using the topic as a way to make the learning more relevant to them.

Other topics we plan to cover include:

- Dinosaurs
- Mini beasts
- Mini scientists
- Wonderful weather
- At the Seaside



You can help your child by talking to them about the topic that they are working on at school, or even looking at books, the internet and magazines about the topic together.

### **Phonics**

All children will continue to work in groups for their phonics lessons so that they can access learning at the appropriate level for them. The groups have been worked out with Miss Smithson and Miss Shimmin so that children continue with their learning where they left off in Reception.

Children will take part in the statutory Phonics screening test at the end of Year 1, as the year progresses, we will be sending some resources home to assist you with helping your child to practise their phonics at home.

Mrs Gittins

(Y1 Teacher)

