

Welcome back to the new school year! I hope you all had a wonderful summer and that you are all looking forward to lots of learning and fun this term.

Best wishes,
Sam Holness & Andrea Richardson

As discussed by Wendy at the 'Meet the Teacher' session, whilst my broken ankle continues to heal some afternoon sessions will temporarily be covered by Jo Godfrey and Alison Douglas. I will however, continue to plan and prepare all sessions. Thank you for your understanding.

Please note my regular PPA session (Friday afternoon) will be covered by Naomi Foxall.

PE sessions are timetabled for Mondays and Fridays.

On a Monday children will have their outdoor PE session and this term they will be learning how to play football.

On a Friday children will have an indoor PE session in which they will be developing their dance skills.

Please remember, if your child wears earrings, to remove them on these days.

School reading books will continue to be changed three times a week, on a **Monday**, **Wednesday** and **Friday**.

Please help by reminding your child to put their reading book in the box each day. This will help it to be changed regularly.

Monster reader stickers will be awarded, each Friday, for those children that have read five times during that week.

In order to qualify for a prize children must read five times a week during every week of the term.

Good luck monsters!



Foxes' Newsletter



Teacher of the Week

Starting this term we are going to be inviting children to take it in turns to speak to the whole class on a subject of their choice.

Your child will bring home a slip the week before their turn to be teacher and will deliver their talk the following Tuesday afternoon.

These talks do not need to be lengthy or memorised. They should simply reflect the interests of your child. For example they may wish to talk about their Taekwondo or Gym achievements out of school or they may wish to talk about their love of a particular activity. Children are welcome to bring in props to support their conversation.

This is a fantastic opportunity for children to talk about their interests and I look forward to hearing all of their talks.

We do also have some short show and tell sessions at the end of some days. These sessions should be used for children to share information about our learning.

Home Learning & Spellings

This term spellings will be linked to our phonic sessions which are recapping familiar sounds, in particular those sounds which may sound or look similar.

Home learning will be one piece of learning which may be Literacy, Numeracy or topic based.

Spellings will be **set each Monday** and **checked each Friday**.

Home learning will be set on a **Monday** and **due in on a Friday**.

It is important that children become independent learners; we will therefore be encouraging children to take responsibility for handing in their books as opposed to adults taking them out of book bags.

Outline of the curriculum

Term 1

Topic:

Our new topic is **The Great Fire of London**. We will be learning about how the fire started, why it spread, the damage it caused and how the damage was repaired. If you have any books on this at home we would love to see them in class.

Literacy:

We will be looking at stories with familiar settings reading and exploring *Dogger* and *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*. We will also be looking at a story about a rabbit who manages to steal a fire! We will use drama to explore the stories before making our own adaptations to characters, events and settings.



Maths:

Counting in steps other than 1, place value, ordering numbers and comparing numbers using the < and > signs.

Science:

Everyday Materials- we will be sorting materials, exploring their properties and exploring their uses.



Diary Dates (see the school newsletter for other dates)

Tuesday 7th October -Individual photos

Wednesday 8th October- Harvest Festival at 2:30pm

Thursday 23rd October -End of Term

Friday 24th October- Staff Development Day

