



## **LORD DERAMORE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**

### **Phase 2 Summer Newsletter 2019**

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We hope all our families had a relaxing Easter break.

This term, we have lots of exciting activities planned. As the weather gets warmer, we will be making the most of our fantastic grounds by spending more time outside.

Children in Year 2 will be undertaking statutory assessment this term. Please be assured that this work is incorporated into everyday classroom practice and, as far as the children are concerned, it is part of the usual ongoing classroom learning and assessment.

#### **Curriculum – look on the website for more detail**

This term, in Year 2, our topic is Explorers. We will be learning about some famous explorers and linking this to our science work on habitats and how plants and animals are adapted to their environments. We are planning to visit the Yorkshire Arboretum later in the term. We will send out more information soon.

In Year 3, our topic is Chocolate! We will be learning about where Chocolate comes from as well as looking at local history. In Science, Year 3 will be learning about light and dark.

#### **Homework**

**Year 3 children have online access to Numbergym, TTRockstars and Sumdog to practise maths skills at school and at home.**

**Login details are in your child's planner.**

**Year 2 have access to Numbergym to practise number bonds and times tables and TTRockstars. To use Numbergym, type 'Numbergym' into your search engine, click on 'online access'. Username is l (lowercase L) and password is d.**

The homework menu reflects the work we are doing in school and is designed to:

- provide an opportunity for parents to talk about school activities with their child
- spark curiosity or interest in your child about an aspect of their learning
- practise and develop skills
- encourage good homework habits in preparation for older year groups.

**We expect all children to complete an item from the menu each week.** Parents and carers can help and support as you feel appropriate. Please come and talk to us if you have any concerns regarding homework.

Here is a reminder about the routine for **Year 2 and Year 3:**

**Monday:** Year 2: Return spelling folder

Year 3: Spelling book/folder goes home

**Tuesday:** Year 2: Spelling folder goes home

Year 3: Bring homework book to school with completed homework

**Wednesday:** Year 2: Bring homework book to school with completed homework

Year 3: Homework book goes home

**Thursday:** Year 2: Homebook goes home

**Friday:** Year 3: Return spelling book/folder.

## **Reading**

Children reading books from the coloured book boxes continue to need support to read fluently for meaning. Children who are independent readers, need support choosing appropriate books for their ability and developing the key skills of inference and deduction (i.e. reading between the lines). Wherever possible, we would ask that parents hear children read for 10 minutes each day. Please do come and ask if you have any questions about reading with your child at home.

Please write in the planner when your child has read at home, either with you or independently, and write 'Please change' when they are ready for a new book. In our new planners for next year, we will just have a box to tick for this!

If your child ever forgets their reading book, you can access a whole range of books on the Oxford Owl website. Just visit the website <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> and click on the purple My Class Login button. For Year 2 the username and password are both **year2ld**. For Year 3 the username and password are both **ks2reading**.

As well as a reading book, all children have free choice of a book from the school library each week. Please ensure library books are in school on the correct day.

Year 2 will visit the library on Tuesday for the first three weeks, then every Wednesday. We will put reminders in the weekly note.

Year 3 will visit the library every **Tuesday**.

## **Lost Property**

Please check that **ALL** of your child's clothes / shoes / PE kit / bags / water bottles etc are named. Trainers and wellies need to be in a **named** plastic bag. Any mislaid items can usually be found in the lost property basket in the cloakroom or the main entrance to school.

## **Forest Schools**

Year 2 will continue Forest School sessions on Tuesday afternoons.

Year 3 will not be having Forest School sessions for the first half term.

## **PE – please note change of days**

Year 2 PE is on Friday with Mr Holmes. For the first 3 weeks of this half term, Year 2 will also have PE on a Wednesday afternoon as we have cricket sessions with the 'Chance to Shine' programme from the Yorkshire Cricket Board.

Year 3 PE is on Tuesday and Thursday.

PE may be indoors or outdoors and we expect children to have their full kit as detailed in the planner. We recommend that PE kit is brought to school on a Monday and then left in school all week, so it cannot be forgotten.

## **Assemblies**

Year 2 class assembly is on 13.6.19

Year 3 class assembly is on 20.6.19

We hope you will be able to join us at 2:45pm to see some of the work your child has been doing at school.

**Other Important Dates**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May: School closed for bank holiday**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May: School closed for May half term**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June: Year 3 Pedestrian Training**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June: Year 3 beanbag rounders competition**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Summer Fair**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July: Outdoor Week**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Sports Activity Morning**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July: Sports Day Afternoon at the University**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July: School closes for summer holiday.**

There are no official parent/teacher meetings this term, but if you wish to see us about any aspect of your child's life in school, please pop in at the end of the school day or make an appointment via the planner. Alternatively, you can email any of us using the addresses below. Please note that we do not have time to check emails in the morning before the start of school – do phone if it is urgent.

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Best wishes

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