



Knights Templar Community Church School and Nursery

Work at it with all your heart

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you have all enjoyed your summer break! As we start a new school year in Attenborough Class, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and share some important information about the year ahead.

Firstly, I am really looking forward to getting to know you all. We have a diverse, engaging curriculum that aims to spark curiosity and foster a love for learning. This year, we will explore various topics across all the subjects.

Routines

Our **swimming** sessions will be on a Monday afternoons for the first half of each term (Autumn 1, Spring 1, Summer 1.)

Our **P.E** sessions will be on Tuesday afternoons. **Explorers** will be on Friday afternoons. Please ensure your child has the correct named kit in school for these activities – explorers kits must include a change of footwear such as wellies or alternative suitable shoes.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Swimming	P.E.			Explorers

Mr. Harrison fulfils his role as SENCo on a Monday. So, we are very lucky to have Mrs. Rogers working in our class as she is completing her final year of teacher training. We will team teach for most of the week and then Mrs. Rogers will lead on a Monday.

Reading

Your child will be given a school reading book which is in line with their phonics level. This will be changed on a weekly basis when they go to their phonics lessons. However, your child will also be able to choose a book from our school library and a class book from Attenborough Class. These books are aimed at reading for pleasure so may not be suitable for independent reading but will be fun to share with others.

Daily reading at home with your child is imperative to their development. At school, we have a strong reading culture with many opportunities for the children to enjoy books. On top of the daily phonics lessons, we have regular DEAR time and I focus on reading with the children in a Guided Reading session every week. Your child will be heard reading individually by an adult at least once every two weeks. Ideally, your child would be read with every day but we simply do not have the capacity. This is where we need to work together. Daily reading not only ensures they continue to improve their fluency, decoding, and comprehension skills but it helps them to build empathy and emotional awareness.

Please find a time each day to read with your child. Either listen to them read part of their school reading book or share a different book of their choosing. When you do read at home, a brief note in the Home School Link Book would be greatly appreciated to evidence your support and celebrate your child's achievement.

The children are encouraged to put their reading bags in the class box each day and will be given time to change books once they have become familiar with the text – this will mean they may read the book more than once to build confidence and fluency, as always feel free to read a wide range of texts not exclusively their school book.

Homework

TT Rock Stars and NumBots will be launched again shortly. This is a web-based program to support your child's understanding of times tables and Number Facts. Practicing counting in a variety of situations and amounts would also promote a love of Maths at home.

Please check Weduc and your child's bag regularly for letters and newsletters about school events.

Finally, thank you for your ongoing support, and I am looking forward to a year filled with growth, exploration, and fun. Please feel free to chat to me or ask questions. I make myself available before and after school at the classroom door for any concerns or queries you may have. For anyone who is not able to make those times or has a more private issue; an email to school will always find its way to me and I will strive to respond as quickly as possible.

Warm regards,

Attenborough Team

Mr Harrison, Mrs Rogers, Mrs Perkins and Miss Wallace