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Dear Parents/Carers,

Robins Class Newsletter – Spring Term 2023

Happy New Year to you and you families and we hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break. The children have made a fantastic start to the Spring term and we are looking forward to seeing how they continue to grow, learn and achieve this term. Please see below important information about the term ahead.

KEY REMINDERS

P.E. Days

This term P.E. lessons will be held on a Thursday. Please make sure your child has their P.E. kit in school on these days. These should include: a white t-shirt, black shorts, and plimsolls/trainers. Please can all kit be named.

Forest Schools

This term all the children will attend 'Forest Schools' with Mrs Lloyd every Wednesday afternoon. Please do ensure your child brings to school their Forest School clothes. **These should include: Waterproof coat and trousers, layers (t-shirts, long sleeve top, jumpers), socks, hats, gloves and boots.**

THIS WEEK: We are making musical instruments, please can you send your child into school with a plastic bottle – thank you for your help!

Homework

READING AT HOME:

It is expected that all children continue to read every day as part of their homework. Thank you for all your support in ensuring your child has time to read each day at home. Lots of Robins pupils are moving up the stages through our School Reading Challenge and the children are extremely proud when they move to a new stage and receive their 10 house points!

WEEKLY SPELLINGS:

Pupils will continue to receive weekly spellings to learn at home. Each week there will be a new spelling pattern to learn which we continue to practice as part of our spelling work in school. It will greatly benefit your child if they can practice their spellings for a few minutes each night to help them become spelling experts!

HOMEWORK TASK:

A weekly homework task will continue to be given on a Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday. All of the tasks relate to the learning taking place in school.

Y3 BEDROCK LEARNING:

We encourage our Year 3 pupils to complete two Bedrock tasks each week. I was very impressed with the learning pupils completed last term. Keep going Year 3!

Curriculum Learning

In English this half-term we will be focusing on two new units of work: Poetry and Legend stories. Within this work we will be developing our performance skills, improving our grammar knowledge, reading a variety of texts and improving our writing skills.

In Maths, this half-term we will continue to develop our addition and subtraction skills extending on our skills from last term and become confident in multiplying and dividing, improving our knowledge of our times tables.

In other areas of learning this half-term, we will become historians learning about Significant People from the past, focusing on Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell. For all our budding artists we will be focusing on Still-life drawing in our Art and Design Unit.

If you would like further information about our curriculum this term, please do have a look at our school website and look out for Robins Class Facebook posts this term!

STEM Experience Day

On 25th January we are holding a whole school STEM day (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). Families are welcome to join us during the morning and join us for an assembly. Please look out for further information to follow.

THANK YOU ROBINS FAMILIES!

Mrs Milner and I would like to say a huge thank you to all of you for your help and support in providing costumes and helping pupils to learn their lines in our Nativity performance at the end of last term, we couldn't have done it without you!

We would also like to say a big thank you for our lovely Christmas presents we received at the end of last term. It was very generous of you and very much appreciated!

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