Worlebury St. Paul's Church School

CLASS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

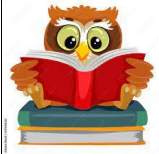
Badger Class	Class Teacher: Mrs. J Burbidge	PPA Teacher: Mrs. E Gould	LSA: Mrs. J Jones	LSA: Miss. R Smith	LSA: Mrs. R. Knowles	Forest School:
						In Term 6, Badger class will be participating in Forest School with Mrs Dawes (Forest School Lead) on a Friday afternoon. At the end of Term 5, a medical questionnaire/permission letter for your child will be sent home to be completed and returned. This must be returned for your children to be able to take part in Forest School sessions. Also, a kit list will be sent home as all children will be required to bring in appropriate clothing to change into for these sessions. All of which you are likely to already have at home so no need to purchase anything unexpected. If you would like to volunteer on a regular basis for sessions, please let Mrs Dawes know.

Planned Learning Themes	Terms 1&2: Grime, Grit and Great Inventions (Victorians)	Term 3&4: Out of this World	Term 5&6: Country Comparison

School Routine:

The school day starts at 8.45am which is when the register is taken. Children are welcome into the classroom from 8.35am. Children should come in independently and ready to learn. Please use Class Dojo messages to communicate with me or pop into the classroom at the end of the day. Urgent/important messages during the school day should be sent to the school office.

Your child will also need to either bring a bottle full of fresh water each day or re-fill the one that they keep in class. Fruit or an alternative healthy snack can be brought in which they can keep in their lunchboxes and have at break time. Please collect your child from the playground doors at the end of the school day. The school day finishes at 3.15pm.



Reading:

Your child will be taught reading skills every week in school during either a group or whole class 'Guided Reading' session. They will also read in different curriculum subjects for a variety of reasons and have the opportunity for quiet individual reading time.

Children really do benefit from reading out aloud to you at home at least five times a week and from independent reading sessions. Please use Reading Records to record reading at home in. Children will need to bring their Reading Records and reading book into school every day please.

Learning at Home:

Children learn all the time and they learn best when there is a clear partnership between the school and home. Badger Class children will sometimes be set learning tasks on Class Dojo which will need to be completed by the Monday of the following week. Reading Records, Spelling Shed and TT Rock Stars will also be checked every Monday.

An additional sheet with optional project home learning is included in our Parent Information Booklet for each topic. This will consist of activities to do linked with the term's project; they can do as many or little as they like and take a photo to upload to Class Dojo or bring in their work to share with the class.

Maths:

Vital to your child's understanding of maths will be a clear knowledge of number bonds and times tables. By the end of Year 4 they should know all of their times tables, up to 12x12. If your child is not yet confident with their times tables knowledge, please support them to practise them as often as possible.

Part of their homework will be to learn or improve their times tables fluency. Times tables can help your child's confidence across the maths curriculum.

P.E.

Children need to have the correct kit to take part. All children should come to school in their PE uniform on our PE days. Please ensure that long hair is tied back for PE and all jewellery, including earrings, removed.

Games sessions will be outdoors (as much as possible!) so please make sure that your child has tracksuit bottoms and either a navy-blue sweatshirt or school 'hoody' to wear.

We plan to do PE on a Wednesday and a Friday.

Spelling:

Your child will be given 10 new spellings each week on Spelling Shed that fit the weekly spelling pattern/rule. We will learn and practise these through the week. Children will be given these to practise in their homework.

How We Learn:

We are a 'Learning without Limits' school and believe that there are truly no limits to what every child can do with hard work, courage, trust and belief.

During the school day, children will have the choice to learn in a variety of different ways.

Communication:

Letters will be sent home via Arbor or given to children at the end of the day. Notices and information about weekly events will be posted on Class Dojo or sent via Arbor. We will also be using Class Dojo to share learning and events that happen during the school day.

The school newsletter will detail upcoming events for the term – this will also be sent via Arbor.