



Summer Term 2018

Ash Class

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The summer term has arrived! I can't quite believe we are in the Summer Term already. This term will continue to be quite busy and fast paced. This first half term, the children will be sitting their SATs. As mentioned before, these do take place in May. We will be spending a proportion of the first half term looking at more revision techniques and covering misconceptions and will then get into our topic work after the SATs have been completed. More information will be shared with you nearer the time.

Mornings

Once again, the classroom layout has changed slightly. As per the last three half terms, the children will need to enter the classroom sensibly, find their seat and begin their morning task.

Behaviour

With the next half-term being very action packed, behaviour will be monitored closely this term. We will continue to use Dojo which records the children's points that are awarded to them for positive contributions or actions. This will further be closely monitored during afternoon sessions when I am not in class. Children will be spoken to about the consequences should their behaviour not be acceptable.

PE

This term, Ash Class will be having PE with Tom Bigg on Mondays. I will continue to teach PE on Friday afternoons with the main focus across both lessons per week being athletics, developing their hand-eye co-ordination and skills ready for sports day. Weather permitting, we will be outside each session. As per the last two terms, please make sure your child is equipped.

Homework

For the initial part of this term, homework will mainly focus around SAT themed questions. These will cover all arithmetic, reasoning, reading and SPAG areas. As the majority of you do, please initial to show if you gave any help at all.

Parental Involvement

As always, I would be very open to welcoming you to Ash Class to help out. Any help of hearing readers with SATs coming up would be brilliant! If anyone is available to

listen to readers either at the beginning or end of school then please let me know! We are only able to hear children read during Guided Reading due to our rather busy timetable. So help would be amazing!

SATS

This term, your children will participate in the KS1 statutory assessments. As mentioned, these will take place in May 2018. Children will do these in small groups in the classroom. The first couple of weeks back will be looking at SATs questions, covering misconceptions, and making sure children are aware of the methods they could use. We will be doing these in small groups, enabling the children to work together too. We will cover a different area each day. I will also let you know if there are any areas of weakness that show up which could be supported at home.

Pens, Pencil Cases and Personal Items

We have accumulated a great range of pens, pencil cases and other fancy stationery that I never knew existed. Can I please request that these are only brought to school should it be essential? Children should not be using pens in their books as this is not something that is brought in until Year 4 when they receive their pen license.

Water Bottles

Just before the Easter holidays, we distributed 42 bottles from our water bottle box. Yes, 42, which is amazing considering there are only 23 children in the class. Admittedly, not all of the bottles belonged to Ash Class, but many did. Please do not send any more bottles in with your child. We are more than able to empty the old water and replace it. Please let me know if you need this doing.

What are we learning this term?

See below a brief overview of what we will be learning this second half of Spring Term.

English	Maths	Science	Topic	ICT
SATs Focuses Character Descriptions Recounts Reports Postcards Tenses Suffixes	SATs Focuses <u>Number:</u> Fractions <u>Measurements:</u> Position and Direction <u>Measurements:</u>	<u>Habitats and</u> <u>Seasonal</u> <u>Change</u> Seasonal Change Gardens Woodlands	<u>Toys:</u> Looking at toys of the present and the past, comparing them. Talking, sharing, evaluating about their favourite	<u>'We are</u> <u>Advertisers'</u> Using computers to create an advert to sell a toy.

Editing skills during big writing.	Time		one with description.	
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<u>Music</u>	<u>PSHE/Philosophy</u>	<u>Art/DI</u>	<u>PE</u>	<u>RE</u>
<u>Exploring Beats</u>	<u>Healthy Lifestyles</u>	<u>Textiles</u> Making Puppets	Athletics	<u>Symbols and Artefacts</u>

Important Dates for Diaries!

- April 16th - PD Day
- April 17th - Children return to school
- May 1st - SATs begin this month
- May 25th - PD Day

Once again, please do not hesitate to talk to me if you have any queries or concerns.
Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Noonan