Monday 25th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children in Beech class will be learning more about the **Seashore** in our new topic: **‘Travelling through time!’** We have made links across most of the curriculum areas to make this an interesting and enjoyable unit of work for both Y2 and Y3 children. Please see the topic web for more details. We are delighted that Miss Thomas is joining us for the next 6 weeks. She will lead some of the teaching in class and I will be working closely with her so that we fully prepare the children for the end of year assessments later in the school calendar. Y2 children will continue to be taught KS1 English and Maths each morning and Science on a Thursday afternoon by Miss Abbott.

**Snacks and Water –** Children have access to their water throughout the day. Y2 children continue to receive fruit. **Y3 children need to bring their own fruit snack each day –** we have noticed that some children are not bringing/eating their fruit snacks so we encourage them to take fruit from the communal fruit stock as this helps them learn more effectively.

**Reading folders, Maths Passports, Times Tables and Link Books -** Please ensure these are brought into school daily. **Reading -** Please hear your child read for a minimum of 4 times each week, even if it is only for a couple of minutes to discuss the story with them and to check that their understanding of key words/text. **Maths –**Please encourage your child to revise their passport targets as regularly as possible (please don’t hesitate to ask if you are unsure of any). Times Tables continue to be a priority and any work at home to help your child progress with this will help to prepare them for the compulsory national Y4 tests.

**Y2 Homework –** Continues to be the same unless otherwise informed by Miss Abbott.

**Y3 Homework –** There will be a few changes now that the children have settled into Key stage 2.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | Given | Due by/Tested |
| English Spellings  Miss Rose’s Spellings | Monday  Friday | Following Monday  Following Friday |
| Times Tables and MyMaths | Friday | Following Friday |
| Topic  (Some activities will be thinking only and some will require a small amount of writing) | Once a week | The following lesson |

**PE –** New days: Monday and Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure that Outdoor and Indoor PE kits are in school on these days and they are clearly named. **Y3 have 3 more swimming sessions** (fortnightly).

**Weather -** Please ensure that your children have coats with them in school as the weather is still unpredictable.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wright