Davington Primary School



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YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER Terms 3 and 4

Dear Parents

Topics for the Term

Please see the attached sheet for a summary curriculum topic map of what will be covered over the next two terms.

Maths

To achieve a place in the Times Table Team:

T-Team Cubs: 10, 2 and 5 times tables

T-Team Cadets: 10, 2, 5, 3 and 4 times tables

T-Team: All tables up to 12x12 including inverse operations

T-Team Champion: All challenge levels including inverse operations within 3 minutes

T-Team Master: All challenge levels including inverse operations within 2 minutes

Reading

We would like to repeat that the **most important activity you can do** with your child is listening to them read and sharing books with them, modelling this skill. Encourage your child to talk in detail about the sequence of a story; i.e. what happened at the beginning, middle and end and using familiar story language. We ask you to please make a comment in their reading record book when you hear them read. We recommend that children read at least 3 times a week. Lots of parents have commented how useful the phonic section in the Reading Record book is and are using it to support their child's reading.

The children have been provided with their TT Rockstar (<u>www.ttrockstars.com</u>) usernames and passwords so that they can access the website at home. This could be used alongside 'Hit the Button' to practise their timetables at home. You can also access Accelerated reader from home so please continue to do your quizzes. Please contact the office if you need your logins.

Homework

This will be available each week on TEAMs and it is essential that your child can log on to this to access the work for the week. The homework will consist of a list of 10 weekly spellings to be learnt for a test on Friday; A link to 'Times Tables Rockstars, where the children will need to continue to practice their tables – each correct answer will then go towards their class total for the week – we will celebrate the winning class each week in school; A link to 'Accelerated Reader', which will enable the children to complete book and vocabulary quizzes at home. A weekly set of maths and English questions linked to what

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they have learned or what they are going to be learning; and finally a termly practical project connected to the topic.

PE

If your child is in school, please ensure their PE kit is in school at all times. Our PE days are Mondays and Tuesdays (5B) and Mondays and Thursdays (5J).

Please ensure children with shoulder length hair or longer have their hair tied back. If your child has pierced ears, their earrings will need to be removed in these sessions. If they cannot remove their earrings, please provide tape.

Please ensure all coats, school clothes and plimsolls are clearly labelled with their name.

Trips/Experience Days

We are looking forward to organising experiences and activities for the children to take part in, whether they are in school or at home, so please keep an eye out for more information on this.

Water

It is important that children drink plenty of water throughout the day. In order to do this, children need a **named** water bottle that they can use during the day. Please make sure this does not leak and has a 'sports top' lid. These can be bought in the school office. The children are strongly encouraged to drink water, not squash.

Break Time Snacks

There is no fruit café at this time so should your child like a break time snack, please could you provide a healthy snack for them.

Collecting your child

At the end of the school day your child will be taken to the lower playground. The children are instructed to remain with school staff until they see the adult responsible for collecting them. If your child is being collected by a different adult or walking home by themselves, please let the office know. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Miss Beard, Mrs Manning Press and Mrs Halson