



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer holiday and have enjoyed the break. It has been so lovely to see the children again and they have settled in well to Trenoweth Class, adapting to their classroom and routines very well. I understand you may have some questions, so please do contact me via Class Dojo, I am always happy to help. I am writing to you just to tell you about a few of the routines we have in Trenoweth Class.

Reading and spellings – The children will all be given their Read, Write, Inc books in the next few days and it is expected that they will read at home most nights. These books are based on the books that we learn in our Read, Write, Inc sessions in school. Some groups are on a 3 day cycle, whereas some groups are on a 5 day cycle so they will keep their books for the week. These books contain sounds to practice, story words and red words (words that can't be sounded out), as well as comprehension questions at the back so there should be plenty to keep the children busy. However, they will also have access to a library book. Over the weekend, the children can read a book from home. The Read, Write, Inc programme is all about children becoming more fluent, so please do not worry about children re-reading their books, the scheme is designed for children to re-read them to enable them to speed up their reading over time. There will be a Read, Write, Inc workshop for parents soon, which will allow us to explain the scheme in more detail.

In the next couple of weeks, they will also be given their spelling booklets which will be kept in a folder in their book bags. Please do ensure that the children look after these carefully. The children need to write their spellings out each night (Monday to Thursday) in their spelling booklets in order to help them learn them. We will also practise them at school every morning. They will start their new spelling sheet on a Monday and be tested on these on Fridays. If for any reason we don't have spellings one week, I will notify you on Dojo.

Homework (Year 2 only) – This is only for the Year 2 children and this will work a bit differently this year. In the next few weeks, the children will bring home a grid with several different choices of activities, covering a range of subjects. The children will be free to choose which tasks they would like to do, and can do as many as they want. There will be no set day for homework to be handed in – children can either bring theirs in to show when they have completed it, or hand it in at the end of a term. This homework will always be based on topics we are covering in class.

Reading in school – We hear the children read at school every single day within their Read, Write, Inc sessions, as well as at other times of the day. We have our own records at school, so please note that this may not always be recorded in their diaries due to time constraints, but rest assured,

reading happens every single day without fail. In Trenoweth Class, we strongly believe that the teaching of reading is the most important thing to us, and we hope you see the enormous impact our new scheme is having on children's reading progress.

P.E – This will usually take place on a Wednesday and Thursday. If there is a reason your child is unable to take part in P.E lessons one week, please write me a quick note or message.

I hope this letter helps with any questions you might have. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to meeting with you all soon.

Yours sincerely,

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