Gambols Blog

Monday 18th September 2017



School Vision

We held our first school council meeting last week and I set the children a challenge to see if the teachers knew what the vision of the school was. I am now wanting to remind you all of what it is and governors will also be doing some work on this. Our vision and values are shared on the school website.

Here it is below:

'We are a school where learning is fun and everyone is welcome.' The vision for our school is; 'We have high expectations in all that we do to create lifelong learners with high aspirations. Leaders of tomorrow.'

Do you agree with this vision? Do you have any ideas to add or change?

Homework

We have been having lots of discussions over the past few weeks about homework and how we changed the system last year but it seems to have not worked and we are looking at this again.

We feel that there are some homework tasks that can be completed at home that can benefit and help with learning tasks in school.

We have decided that homework will now form part of the progress files and we will be checking whether this is completed weekly.

For children in year 2 -6 there will be a Maths focus of times tables one week and a short writing task the next. These should be short task of approximately10 minutes that children should be able to get on with independently. By 2019 all pupils in year 4 will have to sit a national test testing if they know times tables up to 12 x 12 so the more practice they have the better.

For children in year 1 and Reception a short task (usually practical) will be sent home each week. Reception parents will be encouraged to share this on tapestry.

We want to prepare your child as much as possible and it is important you strive to these high expectations and support your child. It will start this Friday and homework will be due in on a Tuesday.

Dates for the Diary—thing coming up

Harvest Festival: Monday 25th Sept at 2p.m. at Church

McMillan coffee morning: "9th September in school, 9-11am, see the posters around school.

Special Needs

If your child is on the special needs register this week you will receive a letter with their targets for this term. This can be discussed at the next parents meeting or your can make an appointment with the class teacher or me to discuss them further if needed.

All children on the SEND register get reviewed regularly and have key areas to work on as well as interventions. It is important you know what these are.