Cambols Blog Progress Files

Monday 15th January 2018



<u>Curriculum Overviews and</u> <u>Planning</u>

You should have received your child's planning overviews for this half term last week to let you know what your child will be learning. Please visit the school website under the short term planning section.

Can we remind parents of the importance of reading at least twice at home every week and signing the books on that day? We do check these daily so it is very easy to see whether the children are reading or not and ten minutes twice a week is really not a lot of ask. There should be no price on the progress of your child and we do expect that you do this. It is so disheartening seeing children not achieving green because of this.

We invest a lot of time and money in to this system and it is clearly working for most of our children so please remember you need to do your part too. Another thing letting children down is PE kit. PE kit should be a white t-shirt (not the one they are already wearing for school) black or blue shorts and sandshoes or trainers.

It is great to see that last week every child was on time for school and everyone was green for punctuality. Please keep this going. Can you also ensure your child is collected at 3 p.m. promptly as we often have staff training and events on after school and this delays our start by waiting for parents. A separate letter will also be going tonight for you to sign for permission if your child is walking or biking home. Too often we are left at the end of the day ringing around finding how children are going home as it is left to the child to tell us they are walking on their own. Without written consent for your child to walk home and walk to school then you will have to come and collect them in person. This is in line with recent changes to safeguarding rules and policies.

Reminders this week

Forest School—can we remind parents if your child is in year 2 or year 3 they are doing Forest School on Friday afternoons with Miss Fawcett . They must have spare old clothing and spare shoes (preferably wellies). Ensure all clothing is labelled please.

Wednesday—We have a number of people coming from the National Grid to paint the staff room and offices. They will also be working with year 1 and 2 making a bug hotel. They are generously donating 10 new lap tops to school to use. We are very grateful for their support.

Thursday—Family football with NUFC. It was disappointing to see only two families last week. Please support this club. It is free of charge as school pays for it.

Dinner money

Can we remind parents that dinner money should be paid in advance on a Monday to the office.

Miss Dorner is due to return back to work next Monday 22nd January after her maternity leave. She will return to work four days a week so therefore there will not be anyone in the office on Friday's. I will be able to answer the phone if I am in the office and not teaching on these days so please ensure it is important phone calls/ issues only on a Friday and any routine information contact me on the school Facebook message page or wait until the Monday. We appreciate your support with this.

Visit letters and contributions should still be handed to the class teachers and not the office.

Swimming

Remember the children in year 4 and 5 go swimming every Wednesday. We ask for £2 towards the cost of this from parents so can you please send this in with your child every Wednesday morning.

Thanks. Remember girls need their hair tied up and preferably a swimming cap. A swimming costume and not a bikini must be worn and no long Bermuda style shorts for the boys are allowed. Goggles are a must. We do have a small number of spares but not enough for a class.

Building work outside school

You would have noticed some work going on around Cambois that has affected the entrance to school. We were unaware of this happening and it seems to be restricting access to one road for school. During this time we ask parents to arrive to school in plenty time to park safely and remember to leave in a safe way as this is going to increase traffic congestion until the road is repaired and the work completed.