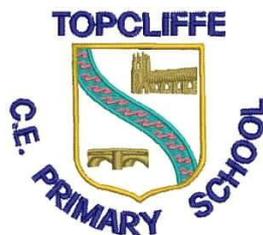


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8th September 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have all had a relaxing and refreshing summer holiday and have enjoyed having time to spend with your families. I am looking forward to getting to know you better and welcoming the children into their new class. Our main topic for this term will be all about mirrors. We will be learning about light and reflection in Science and our Literacy and Art will also have a mirror theme. In Geography and History we will be looking at settlements, and in particular, how Topcliffe has developed over time. If any of you have any local history, or other interesting information about the local area, it would be most welcome! I am also planning to take the children on a field trip around Topcliffe on the afternoon of Tuesday the 13th of October. I will send out a more detailed note about this nearer the time, but if you would like to help with this, please let me know.

PE sessions will be on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon, so I would be most grateful if you could make sure that children have their indoor and outdoor kits on those days.

Homework will be a little bit different this term. I will give the children spellings to learn each Monday and test them on these on the following Friday. I will also give the children a short piece of written homework once a week. This will be either Literacy, Numeracy or topic based. From time to time, I may also set some on-line homework on My Maths. Log in details will be put into your child's link books. Please use these to send me any comments about your child's work that would be useful to know.

We are launching a new reading challenge this term to inspire children to read lots of exciting books. This will take them on a journey all the way around the world! The children will earn 'air miles' for every 10 minutes of reading they do at home and will earn certificates and prizes as they go along. I will be sending details of the challenge home in book bags and would be most grateful if you could encourage your child to do as much reading as they can.

I hope the children have a fantastic start to the term and I am extremely grateful for all your help and support. Please feel free to come and talk to me at any time about how your child is settling into class, or should you have any queries about any of our activities.

All the very best and I hope I will have the chance to catch up with you all soon,

Mrs Johnson
Class 3 Teacher

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