

Great Whelnetham CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Autumn Term 2020 Robins Class Newsletter

All of the children are now beginning to settle in to their new class and routines including lots of handwashing and sanitising! As we get used to returning to school, we felt this would be a good time to share with you some helpful information about our learning and some useful tips too.

Learning

Our new topic this term is 'All About Me'. Within our History work, we will be learning about people's everyday lives during the last 100 years and comparing this to our own lives. If there are any willing grandparents who might be willing to be involved in a virtual class discussion (socially distanced of course!) about their lives when they were young please do let us know their contact details and we will be in touch! In our Geography work, we will be learning about maps and routes of our surroundings within the local area. Our topic this term in Science is 'Animals including humans' the children will be learning about lifecycles, how we can look after ourselves and stay healthy.

Homework

It is expected that all pupils continue to practice their reading at home daily, please do record when they have read in their reading diary making any relevant comments. We aim to respond to any queries recorded in the homework diaries within 24 hours.

Starting this week spellings have been sent home for a test on Fridays. You will find your child's spellings in their reading diary on a Monday. This week the first spelling test will be on Monday 21st September but from next week it will be held each Friday.

Finally, we will send home a short practical or written homework task on a Friday to be returned to school by the following Thursday. We encourage mums, dads, and carers to work with your child to complete their home learning.

<u>P.E.</u>

P.E. for Robin's children is on a Monday and Wednesday, however I would suggest sending P.E. kits into school on a Monday and we will send them home on a Friday ready for washing over the weekend. P.E. kits should include: a t-shirt, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and trainers/plimsolls. Please do ensure all clothing is clearly labelled so we can ensure any missing clothes are returned to the correct families.

Bags and Water Bottles

We currently have a few children who are using a rucksack on a daily basis, due to lack of space, could we ask all children to bring their belongings into school in a named 'book bag' these are available to purchase through the school office. Currently we ask all children to bring to school each day a clean water bottle, which we will send home every day to ensure they are cleaned thoroughly.

We wish everyone a happy, successful term and please feel free to contact us if you need any further help or assistance.

Yours sincerely

Miss Tyler and Mrs Elllis