



Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary School

Learning for life with God as our guide

CLASS R NEWSLETTER



Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



Term 4 - 2024

The Turtles have had yet another FANTASTIC term and the children have enjoyed learning lots of new skills! They are continuing to use their phonic knowledge to read simple words and learn new tricky words. In their writing, the children are beginning to write simple sentences using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. They have also been working hard to develop their pencil control and handwriting!

In Maths, we have been exploring numbers 1-6 and have used a variety of manipulatives to explore the composition of each number. We have also explored more and less than.

In term 3 the children thoroughly enjoyed our 'Amazing Animals' topic, listening to stories including; The Gruffalo, Dear Zoo and The Three Billy Goats Gruff.

This term they have enjoyed becoming expert science investigators – finding out about different plants and what they need to grow. As part of our 'Growing' topic, we also took part in a minibeast hunt down at forest school.

Mrs Tomkinson and Mrs Cassingena are so proud of the children's continued success. They always try their best and have produced some SPECTACULAR work.

We are super excited for the summer term in Turtles Class!

As always, please see our class 'Termly Curriculum Overview' to see what your child will be learning about



Homework

Homework is set weekly and is focused around the 7 Areas of Learning, within the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Homework is sent home on a Friday and should be completed and returned to school by **Wednesday** the following week. Homework will be checked and stamped in school. If children are regularly completing their homework to a high standard or go above and beyond with a piece of homework, they may receive a Homework Certificate to celebrate their hard work!

P.E.

In PE this term, the children in Class R have been learning different ball skills and multi-skills including; throwing and catching.

Children in Class R need to wear their PE kit into school on Thursdays. PE kit must consist of a white or house coloured t-shirt, black or blue leggings/tracksuit bottoms/shorts and trainers or plimsols.

It is important that the children have the correct PE kit so they are able to take part in PE lessons safely and effectively. Earrings should not be worn on PE days and must be removed at home before school.



Reading

Classes R, 1 and 2

The children bring home books each week, to read at home.

Books will go home every Friday and need to be returned with the purple reading record every **Wednesday**. Please read with your child daily to help your child practise their reading skills. Please record this in the purple book every time you read at home.

The children should be reading for 5 – 10 minutes every day to ensure they are getting the practice they need to develop their reading skills further.



Contact

Please feel free to contact by email - I will always endeavour to reply as soon as possible.

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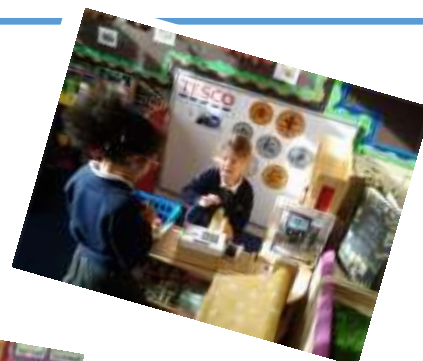
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Super Learning in Class R!



Thank you for your continued support.
Mrs Tomkinson