Homework

Children will receive homework from their pod teachers on a Wednesday. Homework will be given every two weeks and must be handed in no later than the second Monday from when it was sent out. This will take the format of 10 spellings and a grammar task or written task. Maths homework will be a paper based activity and a Mathletics task. If you do not have access to the internet, please let me know as soon as possible and alternative homework will be arranged. Please ensure your child completes this to the best of their ability and their homework should be completed in a neat and organised manner (only using pencil please).

## Wish List

If you have any of the following items going spare they would be greatly appreciated!

- Fiction/ non-fiction books for our class library
  - Clean empty yoghurt pots
    - Newspaper
- Spare PE kits/ uniform which is no longer needed

I am looking forward to teaching Griffins this year and working in partnership with you all. Please remember to visit our class website for news and photos.

www.stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk

If there is any other information that you need, please do not hesitate to call into class

Thank you.

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## Welcome to Griffing



Information for parents 2016-17

A warm welcome to Griffins class!

Welcome back to you all. I hope you have had a lovely summer and enjoyed the break. Please find enclosed information that will guide you and your child through the academic year. Wishing your child an enjoyable year in Griffins class!

**Teaching staff** 

Alongside myself (Mrs Ormerod) and Mrs Smith, the class is also supported by Mr Burke, who will cover my PPA every Tuesday. As your child is taught in Pods for English and Maths, they may also be taught by Miss De Boutemard, Mrs Cooper and Miss Cowgill.

Personal belongings

Your child is responsible for looking after their own belongings. Please make it easier for them by naming all items of clothing, including coats, hats and scarves. Named PE kits should be left on their pegs and are sent home at the end of each half term. Pencil cases can be brought into school, however these are not compulsory. Please ensure your child does not bring any toys into school. Your child may bring in their own book to read during our dedicated reading time.

PE kit

As it is a requirement of the school curriculum, please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school at all times. This should be a white t shirt, blue shorts and suitable indoor footwear. For our outdoor session on Mondays, children may wear plain navy/black tracksuit pants and a plain jumper. Indoor sessions will take place on Wednesdays.

Jewellery is not to be worn for PE sessions and earrings will need to be removed on these days. Please note, PE days may change so ideally your child should be able to remove their own earrings.

**Medical information** 

Please ensure that if your child needs any medication within school such as inhalers, that they are in date and the relevant medical form has been completed at the office. All medication should be clearly named and handed to the school office or myself as soon as possible. Please note, it is the parents responsibility to ensure medication is in date.

Reading

There is an expectation that children in Year 3 and 4 should be reading for a minimum of 10 minutes each night. This includes their school books and books from home/the library. All children have been given a reading diary and these should be signed whenever your child has read. Reading books and records should be brought to school each day. Your child will be given one book per week (depending on the length of the book) and this can be changed on a Tuesday or Friday. Your child should place their book in the labelled box when they have completed their book ready to be changed. Please ensure your child shows a good understanding of the text and can answer questions about what they have read before it is changed.

<u>Library</u>

Our class library day is Tuesday where your child will have the opportunity to select a book from our fabulous school library. Please ensure books are returned by Tuesday ready to change. If your child would like to keep their book, they will still need to return in on Tuesday so it can be renewed.

<u>Newsletters</u>

In order to protect our planet, weekly school and class newsletters will be posted on our school website unless a paper copy is requested. Please let me know if you are unable to access the internet and require a paper copy.