

I am looking forward to teaching your child this year and working in partnership with you all.

Please remember to visit our class website for news and photos
Weekly newsletters will be uploaded to the class page so do check for upcoming events or important messages.
www.stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk

A text message system is also used to pass on key information so please ensure that the office have an up to date contact number.

If there is any other information that you need, please do not hesitate to come into school or contact me through the school office.

Thank you.

R Lee



Information for parents
2018 - 19

A warm welcome to Mighty Oaks!

Welcome back to you all. I hope you had an enjoyable summer break. Please find enclosed information that will guide you and your child through the academic year.

Teaching staff

Alongside myself (Mrs Lee), the class is also supported by Mrs Nolan who will teach the class each Wednesday during teacher management and PPA time. We are also supported by Miss Poston who will be in class from Monday to Wednesday.

The National Curriculum

Over the course of the year, the children will access a number of subjects through our creative curriculum. Each day, there is a focus on English, Maths, spelling, grammar and handwriting. Any class trips throughout the year will support learning within the new curriculum. Topic webs are written each half term to inform you of the class learning and can be found on the class page of the website. The class timetable is also on the website. In the summer term of 2019 (May 2019), all children in Year 6 will sit the end of key stage tests in reading, spelling, grammar and maths. These will measure their learning throughout key stage two and will also be used alongside our own rigorous assessment procedures. Further information about these will be available later on in the academic year.

PE/ Forest School

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, navy or black shorts and suitable indoor footwear. For our outdoor sessions, children may wear plain navy/black tracksuit pants and a plain jumper. Again sensible footwear will be needed for the outdoor surface (playground/field). NO FOOTBALL KITS will be allowed.

There will be spare kit available for children who forget their kit. Jewellery is not to be worn for PE sessions and earrings will need to be removed by your child. Please note, PE days may change so ideally your child should be able to remove their own earrings.

Indoor session day—Friday

Outdoor session day—Monday

Oaks will be swimming after the Easter break—more details to follow nearer the time.

As we will be in the Forest every other week (Monday), the necessary kit of warm clothing, waterproofs and wellies will also be required. These can be stored in the corridor boxes as it maybe that the class accesses additional sessions in the Forest to support other areas of the curriculum.

Medical information

Please ensure that if your child needs any medication within school such as inhalers, then they are up to 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 6 should be reading for a minimum of 15 minutes each night. 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. These will be collected in each week and signed by the class teacher. Alongside their own reading material, pupils will also have access to the library on a weekly basis.

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, uniforms and bags. If your child has a school bag/rucksack, please ensure it is small enough to fit onto their peg. Named PE kits should be left on their pegs and are sent home at the end of each half term.

Pencil cases may also be brought into school for use in the afternoon sessions, however these are not compulsory as your child will be provided with their own set of equipment to use in school.

If your child needs to bring a mobile phone to school for emergencies, this should be kept in the school office. Your child will need to drop it into the office before the start of the school day. Under no circumstances are mobile phones to be kept in school bags or coat pockets.

Year 6 residential

We are once again organising a two day residential educational adventure activity course at Kingswood Centre, located in Colomendy, in North Wales. As in previous years, the Year 6 residential will take place at the end of the academic year (Friday 5th—Sunday 7th July 2019). Further information about this will be sent out in a separate letter.

Homework

Homework will be given on a Monday. Children will receive 10 spellings and a My Maths homework every week to be completed by Friday of the same week. As well as this, your child will receive an optional half termly homework grid which will be based on our Creative Curriculum and Science learning. These will be provided at the beginning of each half term.

If your child does not have access to the internet, please let me know as soon as possible and an alternative maths homework will be arranged.