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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back Prosper Class – Year 2!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back and hope you had an enjoyable Summer holiday. We are very much looking forward to the year ahead.

Prosper teaching staff

Miss Bevis will be teaching the class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday mornings, and Mrs Cooper will be teaching on Wednesday mornings and all day Thursday and Fridays. Mrs Williams is the class higher level teaching assistant (HLTA) each day and will cover the class on a Wednesday afternoon.

Class Dojo:

This year, we will be continuing to use Class Dojo to provide a vital link between school and home. There will be a weekly post, every Monday. It may contain reminders, class specific important messages or just a snapshot sharing some of our learning for the week. The Monday post will also always contain the Word of the Week. Please check that your account from last year is still active and download the free app to keep up to date with class messages. Please note that Tapestry (Online Learning Journal) is currently only used in our Reception (Eden) and Year 1 classes, not in our class.

Curriculum:

For the whole of the Autumn Term, we will be covering units on Materials and their properties in science, and linking other areas of the curriculum to the main topic of the Victorians. We will be looking at artists, toys, homes and significant people from this period in History.

PE

Our class will have PE **Tuesday** and **Thursday** afternoons. On these days, children can wear their PE kit to school for the day. This will save time and having to bring in more items to school from home. Appropriate PE kit is listed below:

- Shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms - black
- Plain white T-shirt (no large print or design please)
- Trainers or plimsolls
- Socks
- Tracksuits may be worn for outside PE during colder weather
- No earrings or jewellery to be worn for PE.

Please can all items of PE kit and school uniform be named (even if written on the label with biro).

Outdoor Learning

Our class will take our learning outside each Monday afternoon. We will be using the variety of outdoor spaces on our school site to support our learning in all areas of the curriculum. On Mondays, please make sure that your child has their coat in school as well as a change of suitable footwear. This change of footwear is likely to get



wet and and/or muddy and therefore wellies would be the most suitable option. Please make sure they are labelled with your child's name.

Reading:

It is expected that children engage in reading activities at home **at least 5 times per week**. In school, your child will have group reading activities during daily Read Write Inc. sessions. Children's books will be changed during these sessions which will either be every 3 or 5 days depending on the book band they are on. They will also have a library book which they can read for pleasure and record in their reading records too.

Reading records will be checked on a **Monday**. Please make sure that your child has their record in school because this is the only day that they will be checked for points towards the reading reward scheme.

Children will visit the library on Wednesday afternoons. Please make sure they bring their book to school on this day if they wish to change it as there is no other time in the week that this can take place. Books must be brought in and renewed even if the child wishes to keep it for another week.

Homework:

In addition to reading five times a week, Spelling and Maths Shed will be used for children to continue their learning at home.

Age-Appropriate Gaming and Screen Time:

Many children spend a large amount of time using electronic devices and accessing computer games that are not age appropriate. As a proud Healthy Schools Award holder, we would like to remind parents and carers that children are advised to spend **no more than 2 hours** a day in front of a screen (TV/PC/Laptop/Tablet/Smart Phone etc.).

Open Door Policy:

We welcome your feedback on any aspect of your child's time in Prosper class. Please keep in touch with us to discuss any questions, queries or problems that you may have. The morning is a very busy time for everyone and we appreciate the drop off and collection timeframes are very short now. Please utilise messaging on Class Dojo, if this is more comfortable or convenient. Miss Bevis and Mrs Cooper will monitor Dojo messages outside of time teaching. However, these will only be checked a couple of times per week, so any urgent matters that need addressing can be conveyed to the member of staff on the door. Alternatively, please telephone the school office, who will contact us in the classroom as soon as possible. Please remember that all absences need to be reported to the office.

We are very much looking forward to the term ahead and thank you for your continued support.

Miss Bevis, Mrs Cooper and Mrs Williams

Prosper (Year 2) team

