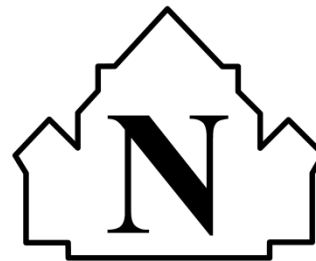


Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Topic:

This term, we will be embarking on our topic 'Ocean Explorers'. We will be learning about pirates and famous ocean explorers like Christopher Columbus. Then we will be discovering about lives in the ocean and discuss the impact of pollution. As our topic finale, we will be filming our own news report. We will be uploading this recording to the school website so that you can all view it at home.

Topic help

If you have any knowledge or experience regarding our topic about Ocean explorers, please get in contact with Miss Bevis or Mrs Cooper. We appreciate any visits from parents/family members who could support our learning in this topic.

PE

Our class will continue to have PE with Mr Bacon on **Monday** and **Friday** afternoons. Please ensure that your child has their appropriate PE kit in school at all times:

- 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 pen).

If your child takes part in a sport club afterschool, please ensure their kit is returned to school the next day, or bring a spare kit for the club.

**Daily Physical Activity**

In addition to PE lessons, we are now getting pupils involved in structured daily exercise in order to boost health, self-esteem and academic performance. For a short period of approximately 10-15 minutes each afternoon, the children will be running or taking part in fitness workouts. To help make this possible, we are asking that children have **a pair of trainers and jogging-style trousers in school every day (they may already have these as part of their PE kit)**. These can be kept at school and then taken home for washing when necessary. Depending on the weather, our daily physical activity may take place inside or (hopefully!) outdoors.

**We have specialist teachers that will take the children for certain sessions:**

- Mr Bacon (PE TA) – PE (Monday and Friday)

Reading:

It is expected that Year 2 children read at home **at least 3 times per week**. They will also read their individual reading book to an adult in school once a week. This could be with any of the adults who work or

volunteer in Prosper class. As well as this, your child will have daily group reading activities during Guided Reading and Read Write Inc (Phonics).

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.

#### Homework:

1. Reading: at least three times a week (reading records will be checked on a Monday morning)
2. Learning times tables facts (to be quizzed upon on Fridays)
3. Spellings (set on **Fridays**, to be returned to school on **Thursdays**)

Homework folders will be given out on a Friday. They must be returned by the following **Thursday morning** at the latest. This will allow staff enough time to mark the homework before it is returned. Please note, only homework that is handed in on time will be marked.

Children will be tested on their spellings and times tables on a Friday. Results will be put back in their homework folders so that you know how they got on.

#### Rewards

This term we will continue to reward children who have followed the school rules with 'Golden Time' on a Friday. For 30 minutes on a Friday, children can have free-choice in the classroom. Children are welcome to bring in small card games if they wish. Pupils will not receive their golden time if they demonstrate 'red' behaviour or their name is on the amber sheet twice. In addition to this, we are encouraging teamwork and the children will receive 'marbles' for working together as a class. When they receive twenty marbles, as a whole class treat, they will be allowed to bring in something from home (more details to follow once they have earned the reward).

#### 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 pop in and see us after school to discuss any questions, queries or problems that you may have. The morning is a very busy time for us. If you have any urgent matters that need addressing, you can leave a message with a member of staff as you bring your child into school in the morning. If you need to discuss something more detailed with us in person, please speak to the office who will contact us to arrange an appointment.

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 team



