



# KSI Newsletter

11<sup>th</sup> September

What a super week it has been! We have had lots of fun getting to know each other and your children are continuing to settle into their new environment with their friends. This week we have taught maths in year groups. Year one have practised counting to 10, recognising different amounts of objects and sorting them. In year two, the children have working with numbers up to 100. They have also revisited partitioning and the equality signs ( $<$   $>$   $=$ ). In English there has been lots of opportunities for speaking and listening, reading and comprehension.

## English

We have identified that it will be beneficial to teach English in year group this term. We will all be enjoying the same text "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak. Year one will be taught by Mrs Gilbey and Miss Fisher will teach year two.

## Reading, Spelling and Phonics

- Reading will take place every day in school ensuring that each child is heard at least twice a week. This will be in a group guided session. We are trialling new books that link to the phonic sounds that we are teaching daily. The reading session will be follow the phonic lesson to embed the children's new sound knowledge.
- Handwriting and spelling will take place every day ensuring these skills are being taught, practised and applied.
- Phonics will be taught in small groups daily by Miss Fisher, Mrs Gilbey, Mrs Morrell and Miss Carberry.
- Year two children will be completing a phonic assessment in November (this should have taken place in June). More details to follow. The year one children will complete this in June 2021.
- The organisation of reading books and diaries will have to be different in the current climate and will be evaluated regularly. Please be understanding that we will not be able to change books daily. Reading books will be sent home once a week and will be placed in a quarantine box once returned. **We will let you know your child's book change day shortly.**

### Reading at home

- Please aim to read with your child at least three times a week for 5 - 10 minutes.
- It would be really helpful if you could date and sign any reading in your child's diary. Please write this in either the diary section (Miss Fisher's class) or in the reading record pages (Mrs Gilbey's class).
- In the current climate, we are not able to handle items from home therefore we will acknowledge the children's reading with a sticker of encouragement! Reading will be checked on a Friday.

### Updated information

- For this half term, PE days will now be Tuesday (Miss Fisher), **Thursday (Mrs Gilbey)** and Friday (all). Please note the change to only Mrs Gilbey's class. Children will need to arrive at school in their kit. Tuesday and Thursday: indoor kit- trainers, white t-shirt and shorts. Friday: outdoor kit- trainers, white t-shirt and long bottoms. As the children are in their kit all day, we are happy for them to wear warm kit on indoor PE days.

We hope you find the above information helpful. If you have any queries, please feel free to use the emails below or contact the school office if it is an urgent matter. [fisherl2@st-peters.notts.sch.uk](mailto:fisherl2@st-peters.notts.sch.uk) and [gilbeyl2@st-peters.notts.sch.uk](mailto:gilbeyl2@st-peters.notts.sch.uk)

Thank you,

Miss Fisher and Mrs Gilbey ☺