











# **ASH CLASS SUMMER TERM CURRICULUM NEWS**

# Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break. It was lovely to see all the children back safe and well after the holiday.

Over the Summer term, Ash class will be developing their skills through a 'Renewable Energy' topic. The topic will have a strong humanities, science and values focus but will allow for opportunities to explore other areas of the curriculum too.

#### P.E

P.E will continue to be taught weekly on a Friday so on this day please can your child come into school wearing their P.E kit (house coloured t-shirt and shorts/leggings/tracksuit bottoms) and trainers. <u>If your child wears trainers with laces, please could they be independent in tying them up.</u> Thank you.

#### Water bottles

As they did in the Autumn and Spring terms, every day the children will need to bring in their own reusable water bottle from home. As the bottles are kept in a box and moved in and out of the classroom during the day, the beaker style with a straw is not suitable as they leak easily. Please can all bottles be <u>named clearly</u> in a permanent pen. Your child will bring their bottle home each day for washing and refilling (<u>plain water only please</u>). Please ensure that your child does not bring in a glass bottle. Thank you.

#### **Bags**

As a reminder, due to limited peg space, please could your child only bring a bag to school if a kit is required for an after-school club or to take home. Each day all they will need is their water bottle and also a lunchbox, healthy snack, coat and hat as required. Please can you mark each item with your child's name so that valuable teaching time is not used looking for missing unnamed items. Thank you.

## Sun cream and hats

Please keep an eye on the weather forecast and if it is going to be hot, please put sun cream on your child before school and ensure they bring a <u>named</u> hat/cap into school. Unfortunately, we are unable to apply sun cream to your child ourselves but if they wish to bring a bottle with their name on to keep in their tray and apply themselves at lunchtime they may do. Please note that children are not allowed to share sun cream. It gets very hot on the school field during the Summer term so children do need to be protected from the sun or they will be asked to sit in the shade.

### **HOMEWORK**

As you know, this year in KS2, we have made some changes to the way we set homework. As a minimum, for pupils to make progress, they should be completing the Must Do activities set out on the Ash Class Homework Grid below. These activities have been pared down to ensure they are manageable for pupils and families whilst ensuring the maximum impact on progress.

For those pupils who want an extra challenge and to push themselves, they can choose to complete a range of other activities from the homework grid. Pupils do not have to do these extra activities but for each activity that is completed, pupils will be rewarded with a gold star and if they wish to, can stand in our Achievers Assembly on Fridays where they will become 'Homework Heroes'.

Every week, all pupils will be reading in school as part of the school day and as ever, I would encourage you to enjoy a book with your child at home as often as possible. Spellings will continue to be sent home each Thursday for every child to learn in preparation for a spelling test the following Thursday. The spelling words sent home will be a revision of the words looked at in school that week.

If there are any matters you wish to discuss about your child, then please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office and I will arrange to contact you back at a suitable time to us both.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Andrew