



## Chestnut Class

Spring Term 2021-22

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back! We hope your child enjoyed the Christmas break and is ready for an exciting new school term. This letter is to outline our expectations and share with you what will be happening in Chestnut class.

We are here to work with you for the best outcomes for all the children so if you would like to contact us at any time, please either wait until we have dismissed the children at the end of the day to speak to us or call the school office who can pass a message on or let us know to return your call.

Our topic this term is *Food and Fitness*. Please see the accompanying grid for more details of what we will be covering this term in our main subject areas.

**PE:** Our PE day is Friday and all children need to arrive at school in their PE kit. We also take part in the daily mile each day but this is done in normal school uniform.

**Uniform:** We expect each child to be dressed in the correct school uniform. If a problem arises and uniform is not available, please let us know.

Jewellery, other than a watch (that is not interactive and does not make sounds) or small stud earrings, is not allowed. On PE days all watches must remain at home and earrings must be removed before coming into school.

Make up (including nail varnish) must not be worn at school.

Hair must be neat, tidy and practical for school. All hair that is longer than shoulder length must be tied back.

**Snack and Water bottles:** Snack is not provided for KS2. If you wish to send your child in with a break time snack this must be fruit or vegetables only. A reminder that packed lunches and snacks cannot contain nuts due to allergies within our school so

please ensure you thoroughly check every item that is sent in. Water bottles must be named and brought into school each day.

**Reading:** Daily reading at home is vital to helping children develop as independent and enthusiastic readers. Reading books will be checked and changed on a regular basis and used within class so children must bring their reading book and log in each day. Please remember to enter into their reading log when they are heard read at home.

**Times tables:** Times tables are always vitally important to your child's success and by the end of the year they should be able to recall and apply all multiplication tables to 12x12 as well as being able to apply this skill and knowledge to related division facts e.g.,  $2 \times 5 = 10$  so  $10 \div 2 = 5$ . We practice these daily in school and would appreciate lots of support in continuing to learn their tables at home too. Please encourage your child to log into TTRS at least three times per week.

**Spellings:** A statutory spelling words sheet has been sent home, these are the words the children will be focusing their learning on over the year. Please support them in practicing to read and write them, mixing up the order and choosing a few at a time to focus on.

Thank you for ongoing support,

Mrs Baker.