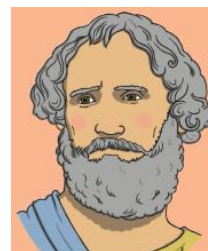




PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



Term 2 Year 1 – Class Letter



Dear Parents/Carers of Archimedes Class,

Welcome back to the second term. The first term flew past and the children learnt and developed a lot. I am looking forward to seeing them continue to develop and grow as we look forward to another busy and exciting term of learning.

This term our Literacy will link to our cornerstones topic which is Moon Zoom. We will be looking at the features of posters and adverts and creating our own. We will also be looking at non-fiction texts linked to space and creating our own non-chronological reports. We will also be reading and sharing lots of space stories. We will also be focusing on Phonics. Please ask your child what new sounds or words they have learnt today and support your child with the phonic activities that will be sent home. In Science we will be studying materials. As I have already mentioned our Cornerstones topic is Moon Zoom we will be looking at astronauts who have been to space, designing and making space buggies and looking at and making the solar system. I'm sure the children will be enthused as much as I am for this term. If you have any spare junk that would be useful for our DT constructions projects, such as cereal or egg boxes, these would be gratefully received.

P.E. lessons will take place on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays**. Please ensure your child has a full, named **PE kit**. They should have plimsolls, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a t-shirt in their house colour. **We will keep the kit safely in School for the term.**

Homework

To help your child's learning it would be helpful if you could hear your child read every night, for approximately 10 minutes. Please comment in their reading record when you have heard them read. If you can support your child at this early stage of their learning it will help them to continue to develop their reading and writing skills. **From week 2** they will be having a short phonics activity linked to the current phonics work we have been learning. **Twice a term** your child will be given a selection of activities to choose from to complete linked to our Cornerstones topic.

Outside Area

To help the children's learning we will be using our outside area to reflect our learning inside the classroom. During the term we will be developing this area to allow us to do this. I would like to ask that while waiting to deliver or collect children from the classroom **could you please ensure that the cottage and equipment is not played with.**

Any questions

If you have any questions about your child and their progress, behaviour or learning then please arrange a meeting with myself or through the School Office. I am available after School. Your questions are always welcome.

I would like to thank you in advance for supporting your child this term.

Kind regards
Mr Timothy Lester