



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



Term 3 Reception – Class Letter

Dear Parents/Carers of Archimedes Class,

Welcome back to the third term. I hope you all had a good Christmas and Happy New Year! The children have started really well again this term and I look forward to seeing them develop and grow even more.



This term our cornerstones topic is “Will you read me a story?” We will be exploring the children’s favourite stories, fairy tales, and dinosaur stories, to link in with the Year 1 Dinosaur Planet topic. We will be exploring these stories and learning about their characters, settings and structures. We will be creating our own stories, as well as re-enacting the children’s favourite stories. These stories will be incorporated into our Maths learning as well.

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 any phonic activities that will be sent home. Our Authors this term will include Hans Christian Anderson and other fairy tale authors, as well as lots of other great picture books that I hope the children will enjoy.

If you have any spare junk that would be useful for our 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 read to and with your child as often as possible to support their phonics work. We will also start sending home some home learning books for the children which they will then be able to share in class.

Outside Area

To help the childrens 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. Mrs Hardie, Miss Court and I are 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