



## PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parents/Carers of Franklin Class

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a very relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday. The children have returned refreshed and have already made an excellent start in their learning.



This term in **Science**, we are learning about Evolution and Inheritance. The lessons are aimed at developing the children's understanding of DNA, genetics, inheritance, Charles Darwin's theory of Evolution and much more!



**P.E.** lessons will take place on **Mondays**. Your child must have a PE kit at school for these lessons including plimsolls or trainers. This term in PE the children will be having gymnastic lessons with a focus on balancing.



Our Literacy lessons will relate to our topic of ID this term. The children will write narratives, non-chronological reports, adverts, tributes and caligrams. In other subjects, the children will be learning about Families and Inheritance, designing clothing, Photo stories, e-safety, social reformers and statistics.



**Reading** remains a top priority for our class. Please ensure your child brings their book in to be changed and feel free to make comments in the home/school reading record book. Reading and discussing books with your child has so many benefits, however I know that some parents don't feel confident at this. If you would like me to help you then do ask, I'm only too happy to help.



Homework!

The children in Year 6 are expected to read every day at home for at least 20 minutes. We encourage reading out loud which enables the children to practise using expression and pausing for punctuation. We also expect the children to continue practising times tables at home. In addition to this, the children will receive maths homework every week in their homework folders to keep their written homework in to take to and from school. The children must take responsibility for completing this homework and bringing it to school by Friday at the latest. This term we will send spelling lists home. It is important that the children can use the words in the right context as well as practising spelling them.

If you have any questions about your child and their progress, behaviour or learning then please arrange a meeting with me or through the School Office. I am available after School on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, I will be happy to show you how your child is learning or explain any methods we use that may be unfamiliar to you. Your questions are always welcome.

Kind regards

**Miss Murphy, Mrs Simmons and Miss Clarke**  
**Class Teacher & Teaching Assistants .**