

# Autumn (Newsletter 1) 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

#### Welcome back!

2020 has been a very challenging year however we have never been more excited to see the return of all our children to school. The first 2 weeks has gone well and I would like to thank all parents/carers for your support and patience during these challenging times, the children have settled in well and continue to show a positive attitude towards learning.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Chetty

### **School Hours**

	Start time	Collection from school
Young explores/Nursery am	8.40am	11.40am
Young explorers/Nursery PM	12.30PM	3.30PM
Young explorers/Nursery fulltime	8.40am	3.30pm
Reception	8.45am	3.10pm
Year 1	8.45am	3.10pm
Year 2	9.00am	3.20pm
Year 3	9.00am	3.20pm
Year 4	8.45am	3.10pm
Year 5	8.45am	3.10pm

### **Attendances**

All attendances are statutory and children are expected to arrive on time. With the weather changing, there are many colds which may result in children having common cold symptoms such as sneezing, blocked/runny nose, headaches etc. these symptoms should not prevent your child from attending school. Covid symptoms to look out for include a continuous cough for more than 1 hour, high temperature and loss of taste/smell including sore throat.

Please call the office to report an absence on 0208 556 0103

### Joke of the Week

Q: Why couldn't the pony sing a lullaby?

A: She was a little horse!

### **Bubbles**

Children have their own class bubbles in order to maintain social distancing, the staggered start and end times will ensure minimal gathering in the playground. Please help us to keep bubbles separated when dropping and collecting your child.

### PE

Children must remember to wear their PE kit to school on their allocated days, as they will not be allowed to change into their P.E kit at school due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. Children must wear the following: Navy blue or black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, plain white T-shirt, plimsolls or trainers.

It is not possible (for health and safety reasons) to take part in P.E whilst wearing school uniform and shoes.

Year 1	Wednesdays and Thursdays		
Year 2	Tuesdays and Wednesdays		
Year 3	Mondays and Tuesdays		
Year 4	Mondays and Tuesdays		
Year 5	Mondays and Wednesdays for class		
	Michael Morpurgo		
	Wednesdays and Thursdays for		
	class <b>Grace Lin</b>		
	Wednesday double session for		
	class Kenneth Grahame		
Year 6	Thursdays and Fridays		

### **Uniforms**

Every child at Downsell Primary is expected to wear the correct uniform which consists of:

Grey trousers/skirt, white shirt or blouse, royal blue and white check dress, blue sweatshirt/fleece with school logo. **Shoes must be plain black.** Please ensure all uniform are labelled correctly with your child's name.

### **Nut free School**

Downsell is a nut-free school and this means items such as nuts, peanut butter sandwiches, fruit/cereal/chocolate bars containing nuts cannot be brought into school.

# **Year Group News:**

# What your child will learn next week:

### **Nursery**

We will be focusing on sharing and turn taking as for some of our children this will be the first time in a Nursery setting. We will be finding out about seasons and the changes in the environment and weather. We will be learning to write our names and gain increasing control of one handed tools.

### Year 1

Maths: Read and write numbers to 100.

Partition (2 digit numbers).

Literacy: Old Bea Model and ask questions.

Retrieve information and record it.

Record answers from questions).

Science: Materials.

Describe and compare. Sort materials into groups.

Describe materials using correct language.

ICT : Making still images.

RE: Buddhism - Draw an artefact about the Buddhist faith.

#### Year 3

Reading – Learning to summarise paragraphs from Greek Myths stories

Literacy – Learning to use and identify fronted adverbials, main clause and subordinate clause.

Maths – Learning to subtract using column method with and without partitioning.

### Year 5

Nfer assessment week - Mathematics, reading, grammar and spellings.

Reading focus - Continuing our class novel Street child.

English focus- Description of a Victorian setting using noun phrases.

## Reception

PHSE: Making friends, keeping safe in our school

Literacy (We're going on a Bear Hunt) Describing the settings, what comes next in the story – creating a story map of the different setting.

Maths: Counting orally to 20, count back from 10-0, recognising, ordering numerals to 10/20, matching the correct amount of objects to their numeral.

**EMM** Creating textured pictures

### Year 2

Reading - able to infer from a text and find words with particular meanings

Literacy - Write sentences using past tense, using adverbs and recording the stages of a story.

Maths - locating numbers on a number line, number bonds to 100 and find missing numbers.

### Year 4

Nfer assessment week for Maths, Reading, Grammar and Spelling.

Reading - Inference in the class novel 'Varjak Paw' English - Writing Dialogue

Maths - Addition and Subtraction

### Year 6

Reading - To be able to infer about a character and retrieve information from a text.

Literacy - To develop cohesion within writing and write an effective narrative.

Maths - Solve multi-step word problems involving addition and subtraction. Multiply four digits by one number.

Science - To understand how sounds are made.

Week beginning: 14.09.20

Class	Child's Name		
	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS
Michael Rosen	Angelina	Науа	Darin
Roger Hargreaves	Zainab	Ibrahim	Urwa
Roald Dahl	Rayyan	Zhara	Javicia
C S Lewis			Elda
Dr Seuss			Tristan
Jacqueline Wilson			Prenodu
Nadiya Hussain	Mason, Darius, Aisha Wesley,Rafia	Riyaaq, Fortesa, Ayden, Hussain,Arya	Mihail,Mahnoor
Eileen Browne			Anaiya A, Callum
Anne Fine	Maria, Victoria, Aaliyah, Andrian, Urwa,Fatima	Andre- David, Mohmoud, Alex,Teasia,Oliwia, Ibrahim,Andrian,	Victoria ,Urwa
Cressida Cowell			Nikolay
J K Rowling			Aashir
Nadine Kaadan			Ehan
Kenneth Grahame	Ayaan	Janelle	Talal
	Mia	Yazabelle	
Michael Morpurgo			
Grace Lin	Adib	Eda	Alicia
Lewis Carroll			Talia
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle			Ariana
Sun Tzu			Sara

This term we have launched our new curriculum across the school. Our new curriculum follows a text based approach. Please talk with your children regarding how this is going. During Autumn first half of this term these are the texts that will be used in each year group:

Year 1	Old Bear
Year 2	ANANSI THE SPDER
Year 3	USBORNE ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO GREEK MYTHS & LEGENDS  WHITTH THE THE TOTAL THE
Year 4	Varjak Paw SF Sald Wenterland Chin and well frame in Fight
Year 5	STREET CHILD  BERLIE DOHERTY  "A letiture and moring look," Julie Galding
Year 6	PUFFIN HODERN CLASSICS (Cresponde) Soverifies (Control of State of