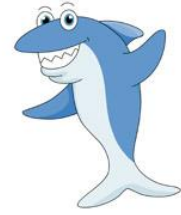




Shark Class Year 5 & 6



Ireleth St Peter's C of E Primary School
Autumn 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a relaxing break over the summer. It seemed to go very quick! I am pleased to say all of the children have settled in well and are enjoying getting back into our classroom routine. I am looking forward to teaching Year 5 and 6 again this year with 18 fantastic pupils! We also have the pleasure of Miss Ritchie joining us upstairs this year!

Class Structure:

This year, I will be teaching Shark Class every morning. During the mornings, I will teach Maths, SPaG and English. Children new to Shark class will notice an increase in workload due to the expectations of Upper Key Stage 2. In the afternoons, Shark Class will merge with Whale class for the rest of the curriculum areas where they will cover: Computing, Art, RE, Science, Topic and Guided Reading. Mrs Saunders will have overall responsibility however some sessions will be split with teaching shared by Miss Ritchie to ensure we preserve quality provision in smaller class sizes. Curriculum maps will be available to view on our school website shortly.

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FROM THE
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THEY are
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PSALMS 127:3

Swimming

Swimming at Dalton Leisure Centre will run on Monday mornings for 10 weeks and costs £26. You can choose to pay £13 each term or the total in one go. Children must arrive at school on time and have their swimming kit. Each week, we leave school at 9:20am and arrive back at 10:45am.

Class Dojo

The whole school is now using the online system of class Dojo to provide positive praise to children who model excellent behaviour. The children independently collect dojo points which contribute to the whole class's points total. The class will receive a reward when they reach their total and individuals will receive a reward once they reach 25. This system can be accessed by parents to view your child's points and class story. The login sheets were handed out last week so if you haven't already done so, please join as it's a great way of keeping track of your child's behaviour and work.



Home School Folders

All the children will bring a plastic folder home every night. This folder contains the children's reading book and record book. We encourage children to read at home wherever possible to maintain the progress that is made in school. When you have listened to your child read, please record this in the record book as these are checked daily by Miss Ritchie so that books can be changed when required. Children will be awarded 2 dojo points each time they read at home.

Monitor Jobs

The children in Shark class have been given extra responsibility this year with responsible jobs in the classroom and around school.

Homework

The children in shark class will receive homework every Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday. They will also receive spellings and timetables. With an increased focus on spelling and learning the rules, spelling tests will take place every Wednesday. Homework will be alternate maths and English, and will begin this week. In the summer term, this will increase for Year 6 in preparation for Senior School.

Uniform

The children look very smart this year in their new uniforms. The new logo looks fantastic – what a great job the children did in designing this! As always, please make sure that your children's clothing/PE kit is clearly labelled to avoid loss and confusion of belongings. Our PE day is Thursday and Swimming will take place on Mondays. Please make sure earrings are removed on these days.

Finally....

This term, we welcome Evie Bates and Euan Lorne to Year 5 and Lillian Lorne to Year 6. All three have settled in really well, making lots of new friends already and are an excellent addition to our class!

Thank you

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