

Reading Books.

Children take their reading books and reading record books home every day. Books will be changed twice a week. Children need to bring their books every day as they are listened to during the week by their teachers. Please read with your child on a daily basis and write your comments in their reading record books. **Please note that your child's book will not be changed unless the book has been read and you have signed the reading record book to confirm this**

PE

PE is taught by a PE specialist. Please ensure that your child's full PE kit is in school at all times and please ensure your child does not wear any jewellery in school. Thank you.

Bint Abee Bakr- Thursday

Ibn Abbass- Thursday

Asthma inhalers

If your child has asthma, please provide your child's class teacher with an inhaler to keep in school at all times.

Home time

- Ibn Abbas' children will be dismissed at 2.45pm from the Ibn Salamah entrance.
- Bint Abee Bakar children will be dismissed at 2.45pm from the Bint Qays entrance.
- **Please could Ibn Abbas' parents line up in a single file at the Ibn Salamah entrance behind the door towards the gate.**
- **Please could Bint Abee Bakar's parents line up behind Bint Qays' parents from 2.45pm.**
- Thank you for co-operation in this matter.

Dates for your diary:

Year 2 Parent workshop on Thursday 27th September at 5.30pm



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Famous People

The children will be learning about the following:

- **Literacy** - We will start the term by looking at 'Instructions' and we will then go on to our unit 'Stories with Familiar Settings'. After that we will be studying 'Poetry - patterns on a page' (rhyming words, verses, repetition).
- **Handwriting** - Children will be practising their handwriting skills using the cursive style.
- **Numeracy** - We will be focussing on reading and writing 2/3 digit numbers, counting in 1s, 10s and 100s to 1000, presenting 3 digit numbers in place value charts, comparing 2/3 digit numbers, identifying the greatest and smallest number, addition and subtraction, solving money problems and multiplication.
- **Science** - Our Science unit for this term is 'Materials'. In this unit we will be investigating the properties of materials and their uses.
- **Topic** - This half term, our topic is 'Famous People'. We will be looking at the life of Florence Nightingale and exploring about why she went to Scutari to help soldiers injured in the Crimean War.
- **Computing** - Our Computing unit this half term is 'We are games testers'. In this unit we will be learning about algorithms and investigating which ones are used to create games.
- **R.E.** - This half term, our topic is 'Sharing'. We will explore what the world offers in terms of variety of foods, sources of water and the benefits of clean air. We will look at ways of taking advantage of this and of sharing fairly with others through stories. We will learn how Christians and Sikhs say thank you to God through prayer for the creation of all these good things. We will explore actions arising from this belief, such as charities and harvest festivals.
- **DT** - This half term we will be making our very own puppets.
- **French** - We will be focussing on greetings, instructions and days of the week.
- **Homework** - Homework will be sent home on a Friday for Literacy and Numeracy and must be returned by the following Wednesday at the latest.

What you can do to help.

- **Literacy** - Please talk to your children about the food they eat and encourage them to make shopping lists. Discuss words that rhyme and write them down. Practise handwriting skills learnt at school.
- **Numeracy** - Please encourage your child to count in 1s, 10s and 100s to 1000. Discuss three digit numbers and their place value. If you are in the supermarket, please ask your child to read the prices of items. Ask your child how many items can be bought for £1, and how much change there would be from £1. Please practise the 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables with your child.
- **Science** - Speak to your child about what everything around them is made of and whether the materials are man-made or natural. Ask your child to describe the characteristics of the materials.
- **Topic** - If you can, you could visit the library and research books about Florence Nightingale or research information online with your child.
- **Reading** - Please read with your child every day and ask questions to ensure a deeper understanding of what your child is reading. This does not need to be limited to books sent from school.
- **Spellings** - Please help your child to learn their weekly words so that your child is prepared for the weekly spelling test on Thursdays.
- **Homework** - Please support your child with his/her homework.

Have you got any questions?

You are welcome to ask the teachers questions about your child and how they are settling in at school. However, the teachers can only see you when all the children have been picked up from school. If you would like to talk to your child's teacher please wait until all children have been dismissed.