

# Fal Class Newsletter Autumn 17

Welcome to Fal Class. I hope you have all had a fantastic summer and that the children are excited about starting school. They are all looking very smart in their uniforms.

## Topic

We will begin the term, next week, with the topic of 'Old King Cole.' This is to develop the use of rhyme which is such an important precursor to successful reading. The curriculum in the Foundation Stage allows us to be very flexible and follow the children's interests so please look at the green homework book (coming when we begin the phonics) each week to see where our learning is taking us and how you can help.

## Belongings

Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school comprising of a blue school T-shirt (available from the office) and blue shorts. No shoes are necessary until the summer term. Please use a drawstring bag clearly named on the front and it is useful to include spare pants and socks if you think your child may need these at any point.

Your child will also need a named drink bottle containing water which they will bring home every day and a pair of wellies to keep in school.

## Reading

Your child has chosen a book to share with you and talk about at home. Please write the date and title in the yellow reading record and return them both daily. I will be holding a meeting on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 9.15 in Fal Class when I will explain more about the way we will be teaching phonics and

reading and will be able to answer any queries which have arisen in the first few weeks of term. Please try to attend if you can so that you will be aware of how you can support your child's learning at home. Individual parent meetings will take place after half term.

### All About Me!

Please work with your child to complete the All About Me sheet and return it to class by Monday at the latest so that it can go in your child's Learning Journey.

### Please help!

In anticipation of the variety of coughs and sneezes that the winter inevitably brings, we would appreciate if each child could bring a box of tissues to school to keep us stocked for the year. We are also asking for a donation of £5 per child to cover cooking costs for the year. Please give this to Mrs Kent or me in Fal Class.

### Twitter

We often post photos on our twitter feed to show what the children have been up to. If you'd like to see these please follow us at @falpupil and we'd love to receive positive comments on here.

### Show and Tell

Show and Tell will be on a Monday. Children may bring one thing in to talk to the class about, which is linked to the topic, or linked to a visit at the weekend. No toys in class please.

If you have any concerns or questions about what is going on, please don't hesitate to speak to me or Carly and we can always arrange a longer time to chat after school if needed.

Thanks, in advance for your support,

Charlotte Savage