

6th September 2019

Dear Parents/Careers,

Welcome back to school and we hope you had an enjoyable summer holiday! We are all looking forward to an action packed first term in Upper Key Stage 2.

Please see below a summary of what the children will be working towards over the next term.

Curriculum:

Our topic this term is 'World War II' where children will be studying when and why it started, what Britain was like, which countries were involved, the role of Adolf Hitler, the Blitz, evacuation and rationing. We will be having a WWII day on Friday 13th December, where children will have the opportunity to dress up and partake in some WWII activities. In English we will be exploring the topic further by studying *Rose Blanche* by Ian McEwan and Roberto Innocenti.

In Guided Reading Elm will focus on *Wonder*, Lime will focus on *Flour Babies* and Pine will focus on *Pig Heart Boy*.

PE:

Your child should have their PE kits in school each week.

Elm – Tuesday indoor PE, Wednesday outdoor PE (Hockey).

Lime – Wednesday outdoor PE (Hockey coach), Friday indoor PE.

Pine – Tuesday indoor PE, Wednesday outdoor PE (Hockey coach).

PE kits should be kept in the cloakroom for the duration of the week. Children **must have appropriate PE Kit** which should include black or navy shorts or jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and a black or navy jumper- not their school jumper.

Swimming:

Pine – Term 2

Elm – Term 4

Lime – Term 6

For swimming children will need swimming costumes/trunks, towel and swimming hat.

Home Learning:

Each week, home learning will be sent out on a Friday and it must be returned the following Wednesday ready for marking. Homework this year will consist of a spelling activity, times tables (Rock Stars) and reading. Times table tests will be every Wednesday and spelling tests will be every Friday.

Reading Diaries/Reading Challenge:

Reading diaries need to be in school every day as your child will read regularly during the week and their amount of reads will be checked weekly. There will be a new reading challenge this year, you will receive information on this separately.

Safeguarding:

If someone other than yourselves are picking your child up please tell the teacher, ring the office or hand in a written note to the teacher.

We run an open door policy, so please feel free to pop in and see us if you have any questions. We look forward to an exciting year ahead!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Gardner, Miss Fillary and Mrs Robinson