

Chestnut

Spring 1 – Brilliant Brunel

Dear Parents,

We hope that you enjoyed the Christmas holidays. Here is a reminder of our classroom routines below:

Staffing -

Mrs Narramore teaches on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Mrs Arrowsmith teaches on Wednesdays, Thursday mornings and Fridays.

Mrs Curry will now be teaching on Thursday afternoons.

Our topics will be taught through our history lessons and we are also learning about forces during our science lessons. We are using a text called 'Charles Dickens. Scenes from an extraordinary life' as a focus for our literacy work this term.

Children will be set weekly homework and they are always expected to read daily. This daily reading should be recorded in the reading record books. As previously, the children are all aware of their AR levels so they know which books they should be accessing. They should be quizzing on each book that they read to improve their comprehension. The children can do this at home or in school. Homework will be handed out on a **Friday** and needs to be returned by the following **Wednesday**. It is expected that all children will complete their homework. Mrs Sandercock will be running a homework club for those children who are unable to do this. If there are any problems please write a note in their reading record or directly to us and we can sort it out.

PE lessons are on **Tuesday** and **Thursday (not Friday)** for this half term. We ask that all children come to school wearing PE kit (for all weathers). The children will also be taking part in swimming lessons this half term. Separate information will be sent about this.

Children do not need to bring in anything from home such as pencil cases, fidget toys etc. We will provide anything that is essential for their learning. Children may now bring in a school bag. Water bottles, reading books and records should be taken between home and school daily.

Please let us know if there are any questions or concerns as soon as they arise.

Many thanks,
Chestnut team.