



# Silver Birch Class Information

(September 2020)



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## Who's Who

- 19 pupils (11 girls and 8 boys)
- Teacher – Mr Redhead
- Supported by Mrs Taylor and also in the mornings by Mrs Cope
- Our lunchtime supervisor is Mrs Hall



# Communication

This is trickier this year! It is best to send an email via Mr Neighbour [w.neighbour@newlands.hants.sch.uk](mailto:w.neighbour@newlands.hants.sch.uk) the school office or ring and leave a message. I will always try and be as timely as I can in my response.



# Reminders

- **Snacks**  
Fruit or vegetables
- **Uniform**  
No Make-up  
No Nail Varnish  
Stud earrings taken out for PE  
Full PE kit for PE
- **Water Bottles**  
Water only please

School Shoes	
Acceptable	Unacceptable
 	 
 	 
 	 
	



# Teaching and Learning Expectations

- Your child will be encouraged to:
  - Ask for help
  - Contribute to class discussions
  - Make the most of all learning time
  - Reflect on their learning
  - Be honest
  - Give it a go – Don't be scared to make a mistake (I will!!!)
- Every minute matters – There will be purposeful work from 8:30 every day.
- We aim to make your child's learning - Happy, Safe and Fun



# Teaching and Learning Expectations (continued)

- In year 3 your child will develop confidence and independence.
- This will enable the children to take responsibility for their own learning.
- The year 3 teaching staff will provide 100% commitment to helping your child grow both academically, socially and emotionally. (Developing the whole child)

# Curriculum for Autumn Term

- Autumn Year 3 Topic – From Stone Age to Iron Age  
This supports and leads our learning in many subjects where appropriate (Geography, History, Music etc.....)
- Maths and English is taught every morning.
- ‘Rich Texts’ for the Autumn term will be The Boy with the Bronze Axe & The Iron Man.
- The children will be taught a full curriculum of Science, French, PE, PSHE, Geography, History, Music, Art&DT, Computing and RE



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- Some foundation subjects may be taught as a block during one week (eg Computing). This enables the safe use of equipment and for our bubble to be Covid safe.
- Later year 3 topics will include Beautiful Britain and The Romans.





# Helping at Home/Homework

- Homework will be set on a Monday and returned the following Monday.
- Reading, Times Tables and a set English or Maths task will be set each week.
- The Maths/English task will be practise of recent learning and nothing too lengthy. (approx. 20 minutes)
- Reading – Ideally 20 mins a day (or at least 4 times a week) really helps with development of vocabulary. Some reading to your child counts towards the minutes. Hearing fluent reading helps.
- Times tables knowledge underpins so much maths teaching and there is an expectation that the children are fluent in 2,3,4,8,5 & 10 by the end of Year 3



# Helping at Home/Homework

- Homework will not be set during school holidays.
- Don't have long battles with your child if they refuse to do homework. Send it in uncompleted and I can discuss with them in class.
- Be picky – attention to detail is vital. Ensure capital letters and full stops are used correctly.
- Mistakes are fine and help the teacher see where a child needs support.
- Don't try and teach your child a method you were taught. Let them do it their way. It avoids confusion and keeps things as simple as possible to aid learning.



# Helping at Home/Homework

Finally, one of the most important things you can do is to praise your child's effort.

Positive praise and encouragement really helps a child want to learn.

They do and will work hard in school (I have seen that already).

Let's work as a team to help them be the best they can.



# Key Dates

- ❖ Homelink has all the key dates
- ❖ Parents evenings –
  - 19<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> October
  - 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> March



# Questions or Concerns

As stated earlier, if you have any questions or concerns then please email via Mr Neighbour [w.neighbour@newlands.hants.sch.uk](mailto:w.neighbour@newlands.hants.sch.uk) or ring the school office.

