



Mercury Class Newsletter

September 2020



DEAR FAMILIES

I am really pleased to be back and am looking forward to working with such a lovely, small class this year! Thank you for all your support and good wishes during my sick leave.

Everybody is now having to deal with worry and uncertain times, but the children seemed to be very excited to be back last week.

Of course- things will continue to be a little different for the time being.

Children have been allocated their own seats in the classroom in rows and facing forward. They also have individual stationary pots and will be washing their hand several times a day!

REMINDERS

Children in Mercury Class have P.E. on Tuesdays. Please ensure your child comes into school dressed in their P.E. kit.

We are pleased to confirm the national to provide a daily fruit or vegetable snack for KS1 children is due to re-start this month. In the meantime, you are welcome to supply a healthy snack for morning break. Fruit, dried fruit, savory crackers and cheese cubes are all good options. We actively encourage zero-waste so please help us by not sending in a snack with non-recyclable packaging where possible.

CURRICULUM

Our main topics this term are:
Who was Queen Victoria?
Who was Florence Nightingale?
Who is Queen Elizabeth?

Children will also be thinking about themselves, their families and those who care for them.

In English they will be responding to class texts: 'Oi! Get Off Our Train' by John Burningham and 'The Queens Knickers' by Nicholas Allan. We will not initially be sending reading books home, but I do urge you to read whatever you can with your children- cereal packets, road signs and safe online content.

Place Value is the primary focus for Maths this term with an emphasis on numbers to 20 for year 1 children and to 100 for those in year 2. Ask your child questions like 'What number comes before 19? Or 'What number comes after 78?'

In science children will be using drama, role play and direct exploration and observation to look at 'Food Chains' in Living Things.

For more information about our curriculum this half term, please visit the school website;

www.southwoldprimaryschool.org.uk

I look forward to working with you all.

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and

Linda Palmer (TA- mornings)