

Goodrich Church of England Primary School

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Robins Class

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to school and to a new academic year. All the children have settled in wonderfully and are already showing how independent they are. I would like to inform you of a few things that you will need to know about over the next term.

Homework

Homework (English and Mathematics) will be set on a **Friday** for it to be completed and handed in by **Wednesday** of the following week. This will be uploaded to **Seesaw**. Using Seesaw allows the children to be able to capture their learning in a creative way. There are opportunities to use photos, to draw, to send videos, to use voice notes. The children can then share their 'wow' work with their friends and myself in class.

The children will be bringing home their home library review books on a **Tuesday** to be returned on a **Friday** of the same week. This is an opportunity for you to share a book together and talk about what your child liked/ disliked; did they have a favourite character? There are question prompts at the front of the red book if you need them. As your child becomes more confident over the year, they can progress onto writing their own reviews which they will then share with the class.

We encourage parental involvement in homework, especially if your child is experiencing difficulties. Please let me know if your child is finding anything tricky. We appreciate that time is precious and that you may have other commitments during the week, so if there is a valid reason your child cannot complete the homework, please contact me.

Phonics/ Reading

We will continue with our successful Little Wandle phonics/ reading scheme. Once the children are settled and reading groups commence, reading books will be sent home on a **Friday** to be returned on the following **Monday.** This ensures that packs of books are completed ready for the next group. Please record the times you read in your child's reading record. We will be focusing on fluency and expression in our reading sessions and reading at home over the weekend will build upon what the children have learnt at school. It is also important to discuss what your child has read to help develop their reading comprehension skills.





	Sent home	Due back
Homework	Friday	Wednesday
Home library	Tuesday	Friday
Reading books (Little Wandle)	Friday	Monday

P.E.

A P.E. kit (navy or black shorts, a white t-shirt and a pair of pumps/trainers) will be required for P.E. on a Monday & Thursday, however their full P.E. kit should always be in school as we sometimes have these lessons on different days. Please ensure your child has the correct kit for lessons and all items, including their school uniform, are clearly labelled. This will make it easier for us to return lost property to the correct child. No jewellery is to be worn, and earrings must be removed.

Throughout the week, we will continue to do bursts of activity to help your child concentrate in the classroom.

Forest School

On a Monday afternoon, (every other week) the children will have Forest School.

Please refer to the school app to find out which dates your child will be involved in Forest School and the clothing they need to wear. Clothes which you don't mind getting muddy are a good option along with long sleeved tops, no skirts, waterproofs and wellies. As we head into the winter months, think about layers so the children remain warm. It has been helpful previously to bring a big bag (Bag for life) where everything can be put into it at the end of the day.

School priorities

Our school rules are Be safe, Be respectful and Be ready. The school day starts promptly at 9am followed by the start of phonics at 9:05. Your support in ensuring your child attends school every day and arrives on time is greatly appreciated. Being on time helps your child to get the most out of their lessons right from the start.

I am looking forward to working together to ensure your child is happy, settled and that they achieve their full potential whilst they are in Robin's class. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to email me at jprice@goodrich.hereford.sch.uk or catch me in the morning.

Thank you and kind regards

Míss Price

