

# Deal Parochial Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 2. I trust that you had an enjoyable half term and are ready to start this busy term leading up to Christmas. I have included some information below, about what we will be doing this term.

**Topic:** We will be continuing our topic on 'Extreme Environments'.

**Numeracy:** We will continue to focus on written methods of calculation before moving onto fractions. Times table knowledge is essential, so please support your child in continuing to learn these as part of their homework.

**Science:** We will be finishing off our topic on 'Living things and their habitats' then moving onto 'Evolution and inheritance'.

**Religious Education:** Our new RE curriculum enables the children to develop their thinking and reasoning skills; this term's focus will be: 'Gospel: What Would Jesus do?'

**P.E.** is timetabled for Monday & Wednesday (outside - weather permitting) afternoons. Please ensure that a full P.E. kit, including trainers and a tracksuit - if possible - for outdoor games, is in school each day. Also, please ensure that all clothing is appropriately labelled – we get a lot of 'lost property', which cannot be returned to the owner if it is not named.

**Homework:** As before, it is expected that children **read** every evening. Reading is an important skill and as such there is an increased focus on this within school at the moment. Pupils will be asked to read to an adult on a regular basis so it is essential that books and records are in school **every day**. Your child will also be given weekly spellings to learn. Maths homework will be to consolidate what we have covered in class, therefore, there will not always be homework to link with that in their CGP books as we are still covering written methods for division at the moment – because of this, I will send out sheets for now. I am not convinced that the Homework Folders are working, as many are becoming tatty already with loose pieces of paper floating about, therefore, I am considering a return to the topic linked homework.

As you know, we will be visiting Canterbury Cathedral next Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November; this is a schools' day so please send your child in their full school uniform with a waterproof jacket, packed lunch (in a disposable bag) and plenty to drink in a plastic bottle (no fizzy drinks or sweets please). As there will be nowhere for the children to leave their bags, coats and lunch, it would be a good idea if they wore a light backpack to put their belongings in. Just to remind you, we will be leaving school at 8.15am, so please ensure that your child is at school by 8.10am. We should hopefully be back at school for you to collect your child at the normal time, however, please allow for the fact that we may get caught in traffic.

As always, many thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes

Sarah Warner and Nikki Pettitt

