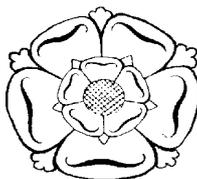


# Kings Langley Primary School



## Information for Parents Year 1 September 2016

### Staff Team

Teachers: Mrs Breckon and Miss Briscall

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Drew, Mrs Ewins and Mrs Roberts

### Assessments

Internal assessments in Reading, Writing, Maths, Science and Computing are made at regular points throughout the year. You will receive an end of year report for your child in July. Your child will also sit a phonics screening check in June 2017 to check that he/she has reached the required standard in Reading.

### Bags

Book bags should be used to carry reading books, homework and letters. A P.E. bag will also be needed for sports kit. Please avoid buying bulky bags for your children to bring to school as we do not have the cloakroom space to accommodate such items and they do not help a child's developing posture.

### Jewellery/Earrings

A reminder that 'party earrings' are not appropriate for school. A single plain stud is all that is required.

### Fruit Snacks

Fruit is available free of charge every day and children are encouraged to eat it.

### Reading

We expect you to listen to your child read on a regular basis and ask that you initial their reading log on at least 3 occasions each week. Please do not get too focussed on the colour band or level that your child has reached on the school reading scheme as we read with your child on a weekly basis and their progress is carefully monitored. If you are at all concerned about your child's progress then please see the class teacher during their weekly class surgery. In addition, we have a lending library in each class where children can select a book to take home to read. Please ensure that these books are returned to school the following week.

### P.E.

P.E kits should come into school at the start of each half term in a drawstring bag. These kits will then stay in school and will only need to be taken home at the end of each half term for washing. Our designated P.E. days are **Mondays and Thursdays for 1JB** and **Tuesdays and Wednesdays for 1BB**.

### Water bottles

Please ensure that your child comes to school with fresh drinking water in a named water bottle each day – juices are not permitted.

**Extra curricular activities**

A reminder that if your child has signed up for an after school activity, he/she is expected to attend all sessions. The school office will need informing of planned non-attendance.

**School drop off/collection**

The school bell will ring at 8.50am each morning. Your child will then line up with their classmates and will walk into school with their teacher. **Please do not walk with your child into their class as this discourages independence.** On wet weather days, the cloakroom door will be opened at 8.40am for your child to go straight in to their class.

If you are unable to collect your child at 3.20pm, please contact the school office or advise the class teacher. If your child is not collected by 3.40pm, he/she will be taken down to KLASH (our after school club) and parents will incur a charge.

**Homework**

Homework is set on a Wednesday, to be returned to school the following **Monday morning**. It is expected that your child will complete one activity from their homework grid each week.

**Clothing**

Please supply an old, named, oversized t-shirt, for your child to wear during art and craft activities. Please also ensure that all school uniform and P.E. kit is clearly labelled with your child's full name (including trainers).

**Medicine**

If medicines need to be administered during the school day, you can either pop in and administer them yourself at lunchtime or complete an *administration of medicines* form (available from the school office) and we will administer it for you.

**Class Surgeries**

Class Surgery is between 3.30pm and 4.00pm on Monday for 1BB and Wednesday for 1JB. This is an opportunity to see your child's class teacher. A reminder that the class teacher should always be your first point of call for all incidents regarding your child.

**Headlice**

Please remember to check your child's hair regularly. On discovery of any 'unwanted visitors,' it is helpful if the child is not returned to school before his/her hair has been treated.

**Rewards**

A 'house point' system is used to recognise good behaviour. Class teachers will award certificates for good work and children can also be sent to the Head/Deputy Headteacher for a special award and certificate. Sticker charts are used to acknowledge individual success and pasta jar treats are used for whole class achievements.

**Phonics**

Phonics is taught on a daily basis. These key sounds are fundamental to the way we teach Reading, Writing and Spelling.

**Handwriting**

Handwriting is a key skill that is taught on a regular basis. Pencil is used in Year 1 as children are still learning the correct formation and orientation of letters.

We are really looking forward to a good school year!