

# **St Philip Westbrook News**

## Year 4 Newsletter: Friday 8th September 2017 Autumn 1

Please remember that only a PE drawstring bag and a book bag should be brought to school.

Children should have their book bags and reading records in school every day. Snacks should be fruit, vegetables or toast. This is to comply with our Healthy School status.

### **Our Learning**

Hello everybody and welcome back! The children have settled well after the summer holidays and we are all enjoying being in our new classrooms. We have begun our project for this half term and the children are excited about learning.

This half term, we will be focusing on the following areas:

Maths: Place value, addition, subtraction.

English: Greek myths, poetry, using non-fiction for research

Science: Sound

Humanities: Ancient

Greeks

Art: Drawing and printing

Computing: ipads: E-safety & learning platforms

Music: Charanga (Mamma

Mia)

DT: Nutrition

PE: Swimming (both classes) and dance (Mrs Davidson's class only)

RE: David & the Psalms

PSHE: Rights and responsibilities; feelings and emotions; keeping healthy.



We will be testing times tables regularly, so please ensure your child practises at home.

#### **Uniform Policy**

Thank you to all of the parents who have made sure that their child's uniform adheres to the new policy. If you are unsure, the policy is available on the school website.

Remember that the correct PE kit must be worn for PE sessions (see school policy).

#### **Homework**

Homework will be given on Fridays. This will include spellings to learn for the following Thursday and one additional 20 minute task (either Maths, English, Science or project).

Also, please make sure your child practises their times tables and reads at least three times each week.

For those children who haven't completed these tasks, there will be the opportunity to catch up in homework club on Thursdays.

Swimming begins next week on Wednesday 13th September. Please ensure your child has their kit with them in school each week. The children will learn about water safety as well as developing their stamina and technique.