St Faith's C.E. Primary School Parent Information 2016-2017

Class: Oak

Overview of topics for the year:

Autumn:

- Journeys
- Neil Armstrong
- Senses

Spring

- Toys (visit to Milestones)
- Materials

Summer

- Seaside (visit to be confirmed)
- Plants

Ways in which you could come and help us:

- We would particularly welcome help between 8.55-9.20 as this is when we hear reading and practise handwriting, phonics and spelling.
- If you would be able to occasionally help with topic days or on trips, please let us know as it is very useful to have a bank of possible helpers we can contact.

Snacks and water bottles:

Your child may bring a named healthy snack for morning play. Also they need to bring a named water-bottle that they can recognise, to school every day. The children also receive a fruit or vegetable snack in the afternoon.

We believe outside play is an essential part of the school day so please ensure your child is suitably prepared for all weathers!

Stay and Play morning for new parents:

Wednesday 23rd November 9.30-10.30

Staffing information:

Teacher: Miss Berry

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs Matcham will be teaching

Music and Mark teaching PE.

LSAs: Mrs Brannigan and Mrs Moretti

The Year R and 1 children will be taught in separate year groups on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning as well as at some other times.

Homework routines:

The most valuable 'homework activity' that you can do is to read with and to your child. The skills your child will learn from this will enable them to be life-long independent learners.

Year R: gradually, children will be given phonic sound cards and high frequency words to learn at home. Year 1: we will send home information about how you can help develop your child's skills in maths for each unit of work. Most weeks your child will be given spellings to learn which will be checked on the following Friday.

PE days and required kit:

Our PE days are Monday and Tuesday, but please ensure your child has their <u>named</u> PE kit in school <u>every day</u> as we sometimes need to change days. We do outside PE throughout the year so please provide your child with jogging bottoms or leggings, a sweatshirt and trainers. Unfortunately, plimsolls are not suitable for outside as they do not have any grip.

With this in mind, on Mondays and Tuesdays please make sure that your child is wearing items that they can easily get out of and back into. For example no tights or small buttons!

Also it would be very useful if your child could bring a named overall or apron with a hanging loop for art.

Please do pop in to see us if you have any questions! Thank you very much for your help and support.