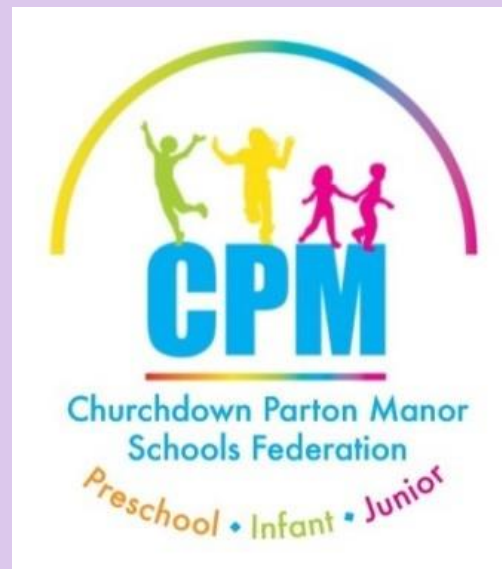


WELCOME TO YEAR 5 SEVERN AND THAMES.



Staff

Teachers and teaching assistants



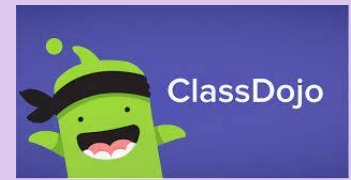
Severn

- **Miss Drew**
- **Ms Walker**
- **Miss Dixon** (PPA every Wednesday)

Thames

- **Mr Page** (Mon-Tues)
- **Mrs Cook** (Wed-Fri)
- **Miss Frost**
- **Mrs Nobel** (PPA every Wednesday PM)

Communication



- Class Dojo is the means by which we shall communicate any messages or reminders. This is also the best way for you to contact us for quick notices.
- If it is more appropriate to have a face-to-face conversation, please request a meeting rather than long messages on dojo.
- Dojo messages will be responded to between 8am and 5.30pm. It may not be replied to during the school day as we will be teaching. A more urgent/emergency message should be shared via the office and they will pass the message on. (we may not see it in time).
- Absence – please notify the office, not through class Dojo
- School newsletters are posted on the school Dojo page and can be accessed on the school website. Mrs Smith will also communicate through Class Dojo.
- Please update your contact details with the school office if they change during the course of the year.
- All uniform to be labelled with your child's name

Expectations

- **As children progress through the school there are additional expectations of their behaviour. The most important being that we encourage greater independence. We expect children to actively listen in class and to engage in their learning in order to achieve the very best that they can.**

REWARDS

- We reward individual children with dojo points = dojo champion of the term at the end of term assembly
- Class rewards – marbles in the jar/stars in the jar. When they have reach 30, they have a class reward of their choosing.
- Weekly gem awards
- Praise cards
- Stickers
- Golden leaf - one child each $\frac{1}{2}$ term for outstanding attitude to school life, kindness and politeness. The parent will be invited to the assembly.
- All the gems – one child each $\frac{1}{2}$ term who demonstrates the attributes of all the gems – The parent will be invited to the assembly.

Behaviour

When behaviour is not acceptable

- ▣ Verbal reminder of expectations
- ▣ Warning x 2
- ▣ Miss lunchtime play

We encourage all children to read at home at **least 3 times a week** as well as completing guided reading whole class and group activities each day in school.

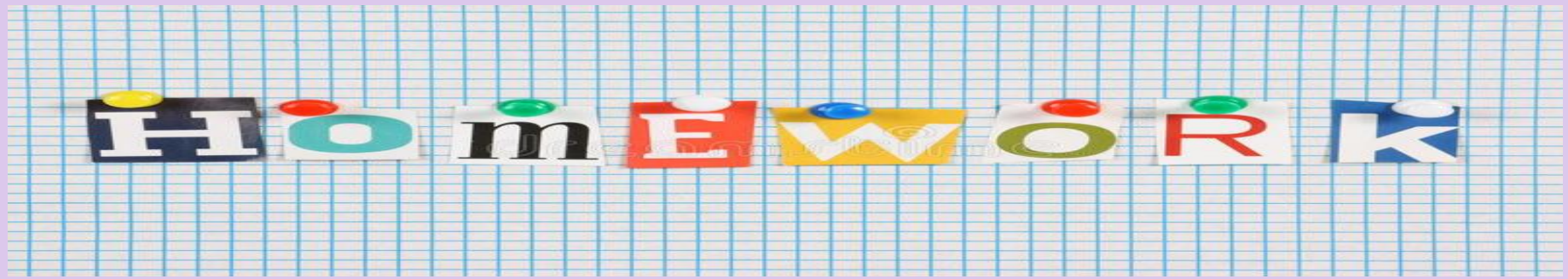
Children will bring home a levelled reading book appropriate to their reading ability and they should read for an agreed amount of time at least 3 times a week. (10-20mins)

In addition, children can bring home a second book to 'read for pleasure'. This can be chosen from our class libraries.

Reading diaries, levelled reading books and reading for pleasure books are to be brought into school everyday. Reading diaries will be collected in once a week to enable reading certificates to be rewarded and to monitor reading engagement at home.

Once the books are read, we expect the children to inform the teacher that it is completed and change independently.

- **We ask that children record their reading in their Reading Diary which parents can sign to confirm their reading. They can read alone or with an adult. These will be collected every week.**
- **Any reading that your child does (reading book, library book, books from home) can be recorded on their individual Reading Diary at the back in the 'reading for pleasure' section.**
- **The children will be rewarded for completing the 'reading for pleasure bingo card'**
- **In Y5, reading certificates are awarded for reading 10 times, then 25, 50 and 75 times; a badge is awarded for 100 times and multiples thereafter.**



- **The children will also be given weekly spelling homework along with maths arithmetic homework. This will start in a few weeks.**



- Children practise spelling and spelling rules each week and are given short assessments in class. They will be given a homework sheet to practise the spelling rules of the week and also an activity will be individually set on the EdShed website. (logins will be given out soon)
- Some children will be given additional support through our Little Wandle scheme of phonics teaching.

Times Tables

- The National Curriculum states that children should know all times tables facts by the end of Y4.
- Through the use of Times Tables Rockstars we encourage children to practise and learn multiplication and division facts on a regular basis.
- Children should aim to achieve their times tables badge and then division badge if they have not already done so.
- Please ask if you think that your child does not have a TTRS login.



Topic work:

- ▣ **The children will have the opportunity to complete one activity per big term (3 over the year).**
- ▣ **We will post details on to Class Dojo with due date etc**
- ▣ **Completed activities are to be posted on the child's portfolio or submitted to their class teacher.**





- We have one two PE sessions per week. This term, these will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays
- Tuesday : all Y5 children will have a swimming session. (children can use swimming goggles)
- Wednesday: school-based PE will be Hockey.
- Please ensure that children have appropriate kit in school; the Wednesday's session will be outside so please provide appropriate kit for the weather.
- Please have PE kit named
- After swimming has finished, there will be an additional PE session a week.

FOREST SCHOOL

Old warm clothes to include:

- long sleeved top
- hoodie/sweatshirt
- joggers/trousers
- hat and gloves if cold
- waterproof coat
- wellies/old trainers
- waterproof trousers (optional)

- Our sessions will be in the morning, so the children can come to school in their forest school clothes and then get changed into school uniform after their session.

- **Wednesday 23rd September**
- **Wednesday 22nd October**
- **Wednesday 12th November**
- **Wednesday 25th November**

Curriculum Topics

Autumn Term: (Science & History focus)

May the force be with you!



We, The Curious!



Date: Friday 23rd October.

Cost: £TBC per child

We intend to leave school at 9am and we will leave the venue at 2.15pm, hopefully returning by arrive back around 3.15pm. The children will explore the science displays at the venue and enjoy a planetarium show.

Healthy snacks

Most children require a snack at morning break to keep them going through the day.

For 20p a day, we can provide the children will a snack if you prefer

If you are intending to send in healthy snacks with your child please limit them to the list below.

- **Vegetable sticks – such as celery, cucumber, peppers or carrot, a range of colour**
- **ensures different vitamins and minerals.**
- **A piece of cheddar cheese or babybel**
- **A piece of fresh or dried fruit, high in soluble fibre and vitamins would also be a**
- **great snack– pineapple, mango, kiwi, plain raisins, apricots, blueberries, banana slices.**

Keep it healthy - chocolate, sweets or crisps.

We need the children to stay hydrated and so please ensure they bring a named water bottle into school daily. **Squash and fruit juice are not advised.**

Other events

There may be other short educational trips this year though these are likely to be local. More information as necessary later in the year.

Drop in mornings will take place on Wednesday's before school 8:40-8:50 providing you an opportunity to look at your child's books, though the start date is Wednesday 23th September. The day will change each term.

Diary Dates:

- **Parents Evenings** – Tuesday 20th and Thursday 22nd October
- **Reading café** - Thames - Wednesday 18th November 2.45
Severn - Wednesday 25th November 2.45
- **Panto** – 1st December
- **Library visit** – Thames - Thursday 3rd December
Severn - Thursday 10th December
- **Church Carol concert** – Thursday 17th December 9.30

Any questions?
Please feel free to ask now or
contact us on Dojo.

Many thanks

