



St Minver School

Head of School: Mrs J Rodwell

Monday 12th September 2022

We had a busy but brilliant start to the term last week with all the children showing bravery and enthusiasm for all the new things they are doing and seeing. This week the children will be staying in school all day (finishing school at 3.15pm) so expect them to be tired by Friday! We are also excited to welcome our nursery children to Cowrie Class this week and are looking forward to getting to know them.

Phonics We will start our daily phonics sessions this week and begin by learning to recognise and write the letters s, a, t, p. Coming home with this letter is a guide that you can use to help your child at home; how you say each sound and the little rhyme we learn to remember how to write each letter. It would be great if you could go over this with your child, please.

Reading Books Your child's yellow reading diary and a wordless reading book will come home with your child this week. Wordless books are an important tool used to help the children get into the habit of reading homework. Please take some time each evening (or morning) to sit with your child to share the book; making sure they turn the pages correctly and can talk about what they see on each page/what is happening in the story. Please also write a brief note in your child's yellow reading diary or pop a quick signature in so that we know the book has been shared at home (this way we can provide you with a new one).

Tapestry Within the next couple of weeks you will receive an email to set up your Tapestry account. I will let you know when this is all ready to go so that we can start sharing information through the Tapestry platform.

Outdoor Learning please send wellies and waterproofs into school or let us know if you don't have any as we do have some spares for the children.

Thank you for being so understanding about dropping the children off outside of the classroom. This really has helped the children to settle in. We will continue to do this but in a few weeks we will invite you in to see the classroom again ... especially with our wonderful new resources and furniture!

If you do have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to me at drop off or pick up to arrange a suitable time for us to meet.

Kind regards,

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