



Ipplepen Primary School & Saplings Pre-School

IPPLEPEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Key Information

PE (Children to attend school in kit)	Tuesday and Wednesday
Outdoor Learning (kit brought in a bag)	Thursday
Homework set	Thursday
Homework due in	Wednesday
Spelling Test (new words set)	Tuesday

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring Term of Year Five. We are really looking forward to what this term will bring and supporting the children to grow and progress. We will continue to raise our expectations of the children in order for them to improve their independence and prepare them for Year 6 and beyond.

The children are responsible for:

- Coming into school equipped with all necessary items;
 - a bottle of water
 - a coat
 - their reading book and reading record
- Completing homework to a high standard and handing it in on time (due on a Wednesday unless otherwise stated). Homework will include;
 - times table practise - using TTRockstars and/or MyMaths
 - a Maths task set on MyMaths/Education City (via Google Classroom)
 - an English task set on Google Classroom
 - reading - a minimum of three times a week (diaries checked on a Friday)
 - spelling practise on 'Spelling Frame' - up to 20 words will be tested on Tuesdays

Please ensure all reading is recorded in your child's reading record. This can be done by either yourself or your child. We will be looking for evidence of reading a variety of text types throughout the year, so please help to encourage your child to look at a range of books. Children



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will need to complete their Accelerated Reader Quiz as soon as possible after finishing a book and will have the opportunity to do this in school every morning.

This half term we will be starting our 'Author Islands', a very exciting reading for pleasure incentive we will be doing as a school. More information will come home in the coming weeks regarding this and how your child can get involved! We will also have a new Book Club book for the term for you and your child to enjoy together.

We understand that some children have a mobile phone with them to enable them to communicate on their journeys to and from school. We would appreciate your help in reminding your child to hand this in to the teacher on arrival at school, to be stored safely and they will be returned to them at the end of the school day. Please ensure we have received a signed form for this too.

Children will need to wear their PE kit (plain black/navy shorts, a plain house-coloured t-shirt and trainers) to school on a Tuesday and Wednesday this half term. They can also wear a plain-coloured jumper (not a hoody) and plain-coloured tracksuit bottoms or leggings over the top of this on colder days.

Outdoor learning will be happening on a Thursday afternoon. Children will need to arrive at school in their school uniform and have appropriate clothing and wellies in a bag to change into at the beginning of the session.

Along with all of this hard work and developing independence, we will undoubtedly be having a lot of fun too with a range of different topics, activities and experiences. Information for each new topic will be sent out at the beginning of each term.

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with us if you have any questions by sending a message to the office for our attention.

Best Wishes

Mrs Hext and Mrs Kerr