



Sheet Primary School

"making a difference for every child"

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to the new term! I trust you all had a lovely festive break and it is lovely to see your children back in school this morning.

As it's the New Year and I have lots of updates and reminders I thought I would put them on a (rather long!) letter for you.

Clubs: No after school clubs this week – they start next week w/c 14 January. Owls and morning club will run as usual from today.

Owls: Don't forget to utilise our after school care this term. Bookings can be made online or by contacting the office. The more parents that utilise this facility, the better.

PE kits: We will start our PE lessons from this week so please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school, with trainers that fit (extra socks for girls who wear tights).

Uniform Orders: Mrs Burford is completing a uniform order next week, if you need anything please pop in or order on line by the end of this week.

Junior children pencil cases: A huge thank you to those of you who have supplied your child with a small/medium sized case full of everything that is needed, this really does make a difference, if you think you may need to gather some pieces together here is a reminder of the pencil case content list:

Junior Pencil Case

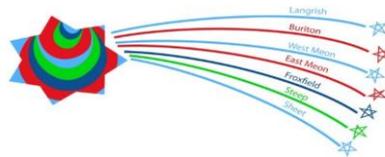
Each child needs the following – **all named** :

- Small pencil case that will fit into your child's tray
- 3 or 4 HB pencils
- Sharpener that holds shavings
- Plain Rubber
- Pritt Stick
- Set of colouring pencils
- Small Ruler
- Year 6 only – friction pen – black or blue

NB – no scissors or felt tips



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Homework: At Sheet Primary School we believe that a well organised home learning programme helps children to embed learning, develop skills and attitudes, support the work done within school, and we invite parents to be involved. Thank you to those who responded to our recent survey on the subject. Our new policy has been agreed by staff and governors and I would just like to reiterate two points : The role of the parent and the time allocations

“Role of the Parents

For parents to actively support this homework policy they should:

- Consider providing a reasonably peaceful, suitable place in which your child can do their homework.
- Make it clear to your children that they and you value home learning.
- Encourage your child to complete the activities set and where possible become involved in home learning activities with them. This may involve:
 1. Checking that the home learning required is understood.
 2. Listening to reading and discussing the text.
 3. Checking writing and presentation.
 4. Giving guidance when there are problems, but not completing it for them.
 5. Directing the child to suitable materials, dictionaries, the library or museum for example.
 6. Providing written dialogue about how their child got on with their learning if necessary”

Please don’t feel you have to write anything every week but if your child needed quite a bit of support or couldn’t do the task please let us know. Completion of homework is a crucial part of your child’s learning and your help in this area is invaluable.

Time Allocations (weekly)

Reception	Reading and book sharing every night			
Year 1 & 2	Up to 20 mins Maths	Up to 30 mins spellings – 5 mins per day		Up to 20 mins topic or Science learning
Year 3 & 4	Up to 20 mins Maths	Up to 40 mins spellings – 10 mins per day	Up to 30 mins times tables – 5 mins per day	Up to 30 mins topic or science learning
Year 5 & 6	Up to 30 mins Maths	Up to 40 mins spellings – 10 mins per day	Up to 40 mins times tables – 10 mins per day	Up to 40 mins Topic or Science learning
Reading	Infants should read and be listened to by an adult every night Juniors should read every night and be listened to by an adult at least once a week			

Playground timing: We will be making a small change to the time that children and parents need to leave the playground, this will now be **by 3.30 pm** – myself or Ms Sharman will ring the bell to remind you all, the children have been told in assembly this morning. This is to enable the children in Owls Club to get some fresh air whilst it is still light and Ms Sharman needs to safeguard the children in her care and can’t do that satisfactorily when other children join her group and the external gate is still open.

Mini-bus drivers: We are desperate for parents willing to become mini-bus drivers for the school. We have only one parent qualified for this now and a couple of members of staff. If we can find more volunteers it will help to reduce the cost of trips as we would have no need to hire a coach but instead borrow the buses from Bedales. All it takes is a simple 1 hour driving outing with an instructor to pass your MiDAS test and you are qualified for 3 years.

New Library/classroom: I am really excited to inform you that planning permission has been granted this week! I would now like to officially ask for helpers to join the team to discuss further fundraising and grant applications for this project which will cost just over £60,000. We have £18,000 from our capital account, £13,500 from our reserves and have been guaranteed £13,500 from FOSS.

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank you for your messages of good will and small gifts for the Christmas period. There really is no need though but we are very grateful!

Many thanks



**Mrs Robinson
Headteacher**

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Please return to the School Office via the Classroom Teacher

I would love to be involved in fundraising for the new library/classroom

I would love to be trained as a mini bus driver

Name

Date