



# St. Jude's Church of England Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the summer term! We hope you had a wonderful and relaxing Easter break. This term, the children will continue to be taught by myself, and supported by Miss Baffour and Miss Zola.

PE lessons will continue to be on Tuesdays. On Tuesdays, please send the children to school in their PE kits. The school PE kit is a white polo shirt with the school logo, navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a navy sweatshirt if necessary. On all other school days children are expected to wear full school uniform. This consists of a white polo with the school logo, a navy sweatshirt with the school logo, a grey skirt/shorts/trousers or a blue gingham summer dress. Please see the website for more information on school uniform.

The children will continue to receive regular home learning on **Thursdays**. This will be set on Google Classroom and any images/videos are to be uploaded to Tapestry. Home learning is due the following **Tuesday**. This is when I will monitor home learning so any work uploaded before Wednesday will be commented on.

As part of their homework, we ask that you read with your child *every* day. Each child is now bringing home two reading books, matched with the phonemes they have learnt in their phonics lessons. These books are supplied to ensure that your child can practise sounding out and blending familiar sounds into words, captions and sentences. It is also important to look at and talk about the illustrations in these books to improve their comprehension skills. These phonics books can, and should, be read more than once during the week, allowing your child to build up fluency in their reading. Both books will be changed on their timetabled day, and their reading record will be checked so please ensure these are coming in on your scheduled day. Please use their reading record to communicate your child's reading, and anything you have noticed whilst reading together.

This half term our topic is: Fairy Tales. Through this topic we will explore traditional tales, settings and characters. For more information on what we will be learning, please see the Summer 1 topic web.

It is really important that we make the most of every minute of learning time at St Jude's. To support us in this please make sure your child arrives on time, ready to go in to class at 8:45am. The school day ends at 3pm and we will dismiss the children once we have seen a familiar adult. If there are any changes to your pick-up arrangement, please inform us in writing as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to working with you again this half term,

Regards

Miss Valuks and the Reception Team

