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AGAPE: The Good Samaritan (Luke 10: 25-37)

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## Dolphin Class Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term

Dear children and parents,

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope you had a lovely summer break. Dolphin class has made an excellent start and we are all very excited for the year ahead.

#### Curriculum information:

An outline of this term's curriculum is attached to this letter. PE will be on **Thursday Afternoons with Mr Bulbeck**. Children should come to school in their uniform and have their P.E bags on a Tuesday Morning. They will come home dressed in their P.E uniform and their day uniform should be packed into their P.E bag. A friendly reminder to **please name everything that comes into school**.

## Reading and Phonics - Y2

Please support your child at home by sharing their reading book every night. This will help your child to continue to embed their phonic and word reading knowledge and allow them to continue to develop their skills. On a Tuesday, your child will bring home a Read Write Inc book matched to their phonic ability. The expectation is that your child will read their RWI book 3 times in a week (just as they do at school). The first read enables your child to decode the text, the second read should help support their understanding and comprehension and the third read will allow your child to focus on building fluency and expression in their reading. On Tuesdays and Thursdays your child will be able to select two further books to read for their own enjoyment. These books are not necessarily linked to their phonic ability (we will however guide their choice of book) and as such they may require support from you to read it. There are handy bookmarks with hints and tips for developing reading comprehension skills in your child's yellow reading log. It is particularly important for those children who are provided with Read Write Inc phonics books to engage with a range of reading activities linked to their book (speed words, sounds, red and green words, jump in, questions for discussion etc - your child should know what these mean). North Curry School runs a reading challenge where all children who have read five times a week will receive a 'golden ticket' and will be entered into a prize draw with the chance of winning a book token to spend in the vending machine. This reading MUST be logged in your child's yellow reading logbook and signed by a parent or guardian. Please ensure your child comes to school with their yellow reading log and book every day.

## Homework

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Instead of weekly Maths homework your child will be expected to practise their number facts or timetables using TT Rockstars for a minimum of 5 mins 3  $\times$  a week. Mrs Luffman will be monitoring this. Logins can be found in the back of their reading logs. If you need a new copy, please do not hesitate to ask. Mrs Luffman can print it out or send you a digital copy. As part of your child's Read Write Inc sessions they will also be set weekly spellings on a Monday. Please practise these at home so your child is ready for an informal test the following Monday.

#### Homework information for Y3:

In total, children in Year 3 should be spending approximately 2 hours per week on their homework tasks. Reading - Children are to read for at least 10/15 minutes <u>daily</u> and complete their reading log. This could be a combination of independent reading and reading with an adult. It is extremely helpful to discuss books as they are read. Some helpful suggested questions are on the back page of reading logs. Reading logs will be collected every morning to check daily reading. A record of reading 5 days a week will earn a golden ticket. One golden ticket will be picked at random every half term to win a book voucher!

Maths Homework - We are trying something new, and each child will be given a Maths Learning Journal. This will most likely come home every Wednesday and follows the curriculum that we will but needs to be returned for making by Monday.

**Times tables** - Children will have times tables to target every week. These times tables are to be practised regularly in preparation for testing each <u>Friday</u>.

Spellings - Handed out on <u>Monday</u> to be practised in preparation for testing the following Monday. **English (punctuation and grammar) Homework** - short tasks related to key punctuation and grammar skills. Given out on <u>Monday</u> and marked weekly.

Thank you very much for your continued support and cooperation. Do not hesitate to contact me with any queries you may have by emailing the school office. I am looking forward to an excellent term!

Best wishes,

Mrs Rebecca Luffman and the amazing team of teaching assistants.

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