

Redstreak Class

Welcome to Redstreak Class. We are looking forward to our first term with you all and sharing our learning journey together. Here is some important information and reminders for you as we begin our new school year.

The Teachers: Mrs Nicky Taylor will be teaching every morning and all day on a Friday, supported by Mrs Spurway.

The Curriculum: All the teachers from The Merriott and Haselbury Federation have been working very hard over the summer to prepare this year's exciting new curriculum for the children. Below we are pleased to give you some information on the areas we will be covering in Redstreak Class up until half term. It should be noted that if you do notice slight differences in the areas we cover at both schools, it is because of the mixed age class structure of Haselbury school but rest assured we will still be covering the same skills and curriculum objectives. If you have any questions about the curriculum, please do ask.

English	Read Write Inc phonics and writing programme. Writing based on 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak. Reading comprehension- <u>Poetry</u> Granny, Granny, Please comb my hair by Grace Nichols (Poetry on a theme) RWI Poetry Time 1.3 <u>Fiction</u> Perfectly Norman – Tom Percival Anna Hibiscus' song – Atinuke <u>Non-Fiction</u> Coming to England - Floella Benjamin (autobiographical narrative)
Mathematics	Comparison of quantities and part-whole relationships.
Science	Everyday Materials
RE	Judaism KS1 Unit 6: What do Jewish people believe about the Torah?
Geography	What is the geography of where I live?
Computing	Computing systems and networks Improving mouse skills

Please note that Art, DT, PE, Music and PSHE will be as per your child's relevant afternoon class.

Assemblies: Our celebration assembly will be on a Thursday at 2.45pm to which you are all invited. We will let you know in advance if your child has received a star of the week certificate so that you could make arrangements to attend if you would like to. Please also let us know if your child has achieved anything outside of school (however small) so we can celebrate this too.

PE kits: Please make sure that your child brings their PE kit to school and keeps it at school on their peg in a drawstring type PE bag or carrier bag. For practical reasons it is unhelpful to put PE kit in a rucksack as they take up too much room on their peg. Please bring in spare socks or tights, as they get very wet during the winter months on wet grass.

Snacks: Children in Redstreak Class will have a fruit or vegetable snack provided for them each day. Children will need to bring a named water bottle (water only please) each day.

Homework: Homework will be sent out weekly, to be returned by the following Monday to be marked. Please feel free to bring the homework in sooner – there is a tray that the children will put their work into when they return it.

Home-reading: Reading can open so many doors for our children and is a fundamental part of their education, on top of that, it is wonderful to share this time with them. With this in mind, please read with your child as much as possible. I know at times it isn't possible to read every day however, please try to read at least four times a week and log and sign it in their reading logs. Reading records are checked every Monday – with stars and house-points awarded and the total reads are added up to go towards our reading challenge prizes.

Finally, in Key Stage 1 we still use bookbags – no rucksacks please as we have limited space. Sun cream and sun hats for hot days and coats, hats and gloves as we move towards the winter.

Kind Regards,
The Redstreak Team