

St Minver School

Head of School: Mrs J Rodwell

Tuesday 5th September 2023

A warm welcome to St Minver School and Cowrie Class! The children were all fantastic this morning and enjoyed their time in school with us. We are really looking forward to getting to know them during this transition period and helping them to settle into school life.

Class R Staffing This year in Class R the teacher is Mrs Alicia Warren. The other adults who will be working directly with your children are Mrs Treleaven, Mrs Davis, Mrs Luke and Miss Bradley but they will get to know all the members of our staff team throughout the day in sessions such as Wake and Shake and break times.

School Timings We are looking forward to getting to know your children during this gradual start to school:

Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th September Thursday 7th and Friday 8th September W/C Monday 11th September 8.40am – 12noon 8.40am – 1pm 8.40am – 3.15pm

The classroom will be open from 8.40am for your children to bring their belongings in, pop them away and settle to an activity.

PE and Active Mile Class R will take part in a PE activity every day and each Friday we will complete our 'Active Mile' around our school grounds. Because of the active nature of the curriculum the children can wear jogging bottoms, or shorts (plain and dark in colour) and their school white t shirt/school jumper or cardigan each day for school. Trainers will be needed on Fridays for the active mile and plain black school shoes for the rest of the week please. This will enable them to be comfortable and allow them to take part fully in our active curriculum.

Outdoor Learning will commence once we are in school full time. Wellies and waterproofs will be needed in due course; more details will follow in the coming weeks.

Reading The children will come home with their first reading book and their reading diary towards the end of next week. Please join us at 2.45pm on Tuesday 12th September to learn more about how you can support your child with their reading at home. Please let me know if you are unable to attend and I will make sure that an information sheet is provided for you.

Nice to Meet You! Is the name of our first school topic. We are looking forward to getting to know all your children over the coming weeks and will engage them in a variety of activities that give them the opportunity to get to know us, each other, and their new environment. We will of course be finding out about them, their families, their likes and dislikes and these things will help to shape what we learn about as we move forward through the term. Our curriculum leaflet will be sent home on Friday with further details about our learning for this half of the term.

Personal Belongings and Toys Please ensure that all uniform and personal belongings are named. Sometimes we will ask the children to bring something in from home that will support our learning in

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school but as a rule we would prefer it if the children **did not** bring in toys from home as they often get lost or broken.

Book bags Please cut off the tag on your child's book bag so their name can be seen easily.

If you do have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to me at drop off or pick up to arrange a suitable time for us to meet.

Kind regards,

Mrs A Warren

