

Shackadell Autumn 2021/22

Mrs Lale and Mrs Holmes

Reading books:

Please ensure book bags and reading books are brought into school **every day**. These will be changed once a week when your child does guided reading with the teacher and 2 new books will be issued each time. Please do try to read/ discuss one book or part of the book **each day** and sign or write a comment in their reading record **every time** they read with you at home.



The books in the first level do not have words, but they have lots of opportunities for extending speaking and listening skills and giving children experience of how a book works. Please discuss the pictures on each page in as much detail as possible. Ask your child to predict possible outcomes and to retell the story in their own words. We will allocate your child a word book when we feel they are ready, but please continue to read other stories *to your child at home, as this is also vital to your child's development!*

Tapestry:

Please look out for an email to activate your Tapestry account if you have not already done so. This will enable you to view what your child is learning at school but also allow you to send wow moments and photos from home through our new online app!! We would love to hear what your child is achieving and is interested in out of school and at home!

Show and tell:

Show and tell will be on a Monday. Children can bring in something of interest or share photos and leaflets from a day out with the class. Special events or outings could also be uploaded to Tapestry to share with the class. Please note it is not necessary to bring something each week, we encourage it to be something your child is excited to talk about.



Coat zips:

As the weather is becoming increasingly colder, please do teach your child to do their own zip on their coats.

PE:

The children will have P.E lessons with Mr Nash on a Monday and a Friday and children should have their full P.E kit (including trainers, spare socks, jumpers and tracksuit bottoms) in school at all times. P.E kits will be sent home at the end of each ½ term to be washed or replaced where necessary. Please also ensure everything is **named** including shoes, tights and socks to avoid anything going missing.



WOW moments and Patch of pride:

In every classroom we have a 'Patch of Pride' board. This gives every child an opportunity to display a piece of work, from home or school that they are particularly proud of! Please share any wow moments with us from home by uploading photographs onto Tapestry which we will print in school and place onto their patch.

Mystery reader:

Each year we ask parents and carers to become a 'mystery reader' in Shackadell, to come in and read a story of your choice, talk about an interest or hobby, your job or maybe about your culture. But remember to keep it a secret from the children! More information will be sent out soon.



Water bottles:

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school each day. These must be taken home to be washed and refilled every day.



Our buddies:

Each year the children in Shackadell are assigned a 'buddy' in Danes Class. This older child will support your child at lunchtime, listening to them read and by being a friendly and familiar face as your child settles in.

Forest school:

Miss Skull will lead forest school every Wednesday. This is often the highlight of the children's week and they are keen to get stuck straight in to the activities.

Please ensure your child has weather appropriate school uniform on this day and ensure they have a puddles suit and wellies in school at all times.



Teaching Staff:



Mrs Holmes: Monday, Tuesday and Friday



Mrs Lale: Wednesday and Thursday

Trainee teacher: Miss Elliot

Teaching Assistant: Miss Skull

If you have any questions about anything, please do not hesitate to speak to any member of the team before or after school.



The Shackadell team