



Living Life in all its Fullness John 10:10

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Coelho Class

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have had a fantastic first few days in Coelho Class. All of the children have settled really well and we are looking forward to getting to know them properly over the coming weeks. Thank you for all your cooperation and support over the last couple of days as the teaching staff get to know all the new faces.

Over the last few days we have been doing lots of settling in activities in Coelho Class along with some super Maths and Writing. Next week we will introduce a more structured timetable, which will include English, Phonics, Maths, R.E., Science, Computing, History/ Geography, Art/ Design and Technology, Music and PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education).

Please find below some general information about Coelho class and our day-to-day routines.

Hummingbirds Staff

There are four members of staff who will be working with your children in Coelho Class this year. Mrs Slater will be teaching the class on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and Mrs Skelton will teach them each Wednesday. Mrs Walton, who is an experienced teaching assistant will be working with us every day and Mrs Hey who is an experienced higher-level teaching assistant will be teaching the class during Mrs Slater's planning time on Thursday mornings.

Uniform

We ask that all items of uniform and personal possessions (especially cardigans and jumpers, water bottles and book bags) are clearly labelled with your child's name. This will enable us to make sure that any lost clothing or items are returned to the owners as quickly as possible.

P.E.

P.E. will take place every **Tuesday and Wednesday** in the hall or outside. Please ensure your child comes into school on these days wearing their P.E. kit. The kit consists of a white t-shirt and black shorts, with the option of a red hooded top and black jogging bottoms



for cooler weather. These items should be as plain as possible, without logos (other than the Kirk Fenton logo) and clearly labelled with your child's name. Trainers should be black.

Behaviour

Throughout school, we use a daily chart to encourage and celebrate positive behaviour in class, particularly in the areas of good manners, listening and effort. During carpet time at the end of each day, we talk about the good behaviour of children on the chart and hand out stickers as a reward for those who have reached 'fantastic thumbs up'. A certificate and a sticker is awarded to those children who have gone 'above and beyond' and reached 'let's celebrate' by demonstrating outstanding behaviour throughout the day.

We also have a whole-school team point system. This consists of four teams: Blue Mustangs, Green Gladiators, Orange Spitfires and Purple Typhoons. Each child is allocated a team (those with older siblings have been placed in the same team as their sibling). Every time the child works hard, or does something special they will be given a team point. These points are then counted up at the end of the week and the winning team is awarded a trophy during our Good Work Assembly (see below for further information).

Numbots

Please continue using Numbots at home, as the impact on the children's maths skills has been amazing. We will continue to give out one Numbots certificate every week during our Good Work Assembly for the children that put in the most effort. If you need support logging on please let us know and we can resend your child's login details.

Good Work Assemblies

Every Friday the children take part in a whole school assembly which celebrates pupils who have worked particularly hard or made good progress in their learning. Every week two children are chosen from each class to receive a certificate in recognition of their efforts and their achievements. In addition, each week one child is chosen to receive a hot chocolate award from the Head Teacher in recognition of being an 'always' child,

Reading Books

The children will change their book once a week. Please ensure your child brings their reading bag every day as we will be doing reading sessions most days (further information about the changes to the way we teach phonics and reading will be sent to you in a separate letter). Every week we will also be taking our class to the school library, where each child will be given the opportunity to choose two books for the week. Please ensure these books are brought back to school the following week so they can choose new books.



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Marvellous Me App

We will continue to use this app to send messages, notifications, reminders and feedback. If you have any questions about Marvellous Me, please do ask. We will also send weekly updates via twitter.

Coelho the Cat

Over the year, each child will have the opportunity to bring Coelho the class cat home for the week. It would be lovely if your child could write about their adventures with Coelho in the book which will accompany Coelho.

Getting in Contact

If you have any questions or concerns about your child or the class, please do not hesitate to email us through the school office or if you would prefer we can arrange a telephone call.

It has been so nice to meet all your lovely children this week and we are looking forward to a fantastic year of learning and fun with them all!

Best Wishes,
Mrs Slater and Mrs Skelton

