

Year 3&4 Autumn Term Newsletter (1st half)

September 2016

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely summer.

Please find attached a copy of the class timetable so you have an idea of what the class is getting up to throughout the week.

Adults involved in this class this year are:

Miss Linder (me)

Miss Leftley (Higher level teaching assistant, specialising in PE) most days apart from Thursday pm. Miss Leftley will also be teaching the class ICT and PE on a Monday afternoon.

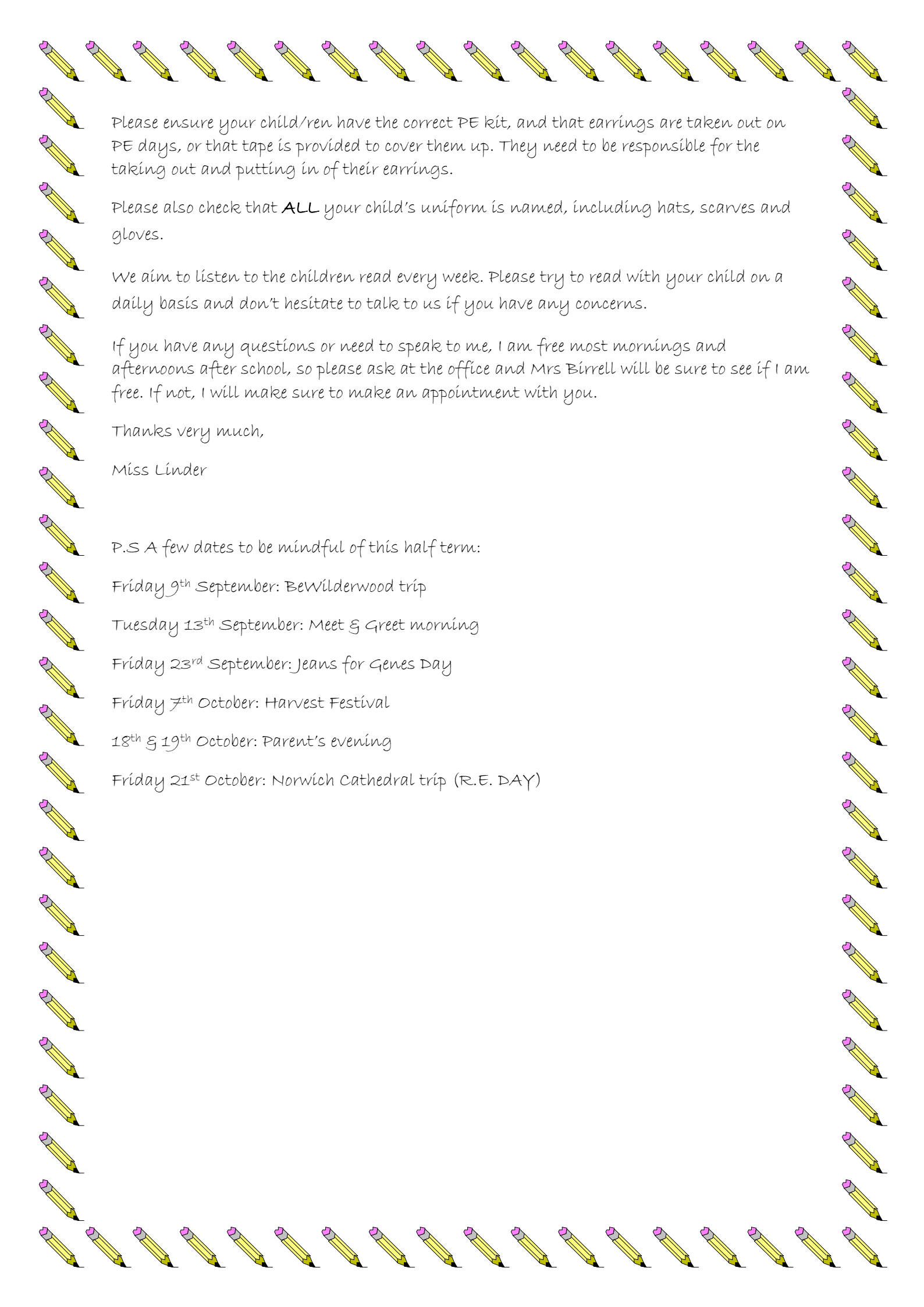
Mrs Marson (Teaching assistant) Thursday pm.

In KS2, we encourage the children to be as independent as possible. This includes working, knowing when to ask for help and also looking after their own belongings (including their reading diaries). They should also be able to walk into the school building in the mornings alone to encourage this independence.

They will have weekly spellings which will be tested every Friday. Literacy and Maths homework will also be set weekly - due in on a Monday and new homework given out on a Tuesday. There will be a half termly booklet with each Literacy and/or topic based homework for the children to complete and the date it needs completing by. Maths, unless included within the Literacy or topic homework tasks, will be separate.

Every child will have their own times table book, which they will carry out their test in and they will have the x-table that they are working on put into their books as and when they need it. Having their own book is to encourage them to practise their tables. This will link to our times tables display and once they have learnt their table in order, they achieve 'bronze'. Then if they learn them in a random order, they achieve 'silver'. Lastly, they need to then learn the division for that table to then achieve 'gold', put a sticker on the class chart and on their own table card.

This term we will be travelling around Europe. If there is anything your child/ren wants to bring in to show or help them with their work that is related to our topic, please feel free to bring them in. We are looking at plant life in Science to link with our Enchanted Wood Literacy topic.



Please ensure your child/ren have the correct PE kit, and that earrings are taken out on PE days, or that tape is provided to cover them up. They need to be responsible for the taking out and putting in of their earrings.

Please also check that **ALL** your child's uniform is named, including hats, scarves and gloves.

We aim to listen to the children read every week. Please try to read with your child on a daily basis and don't hesitate to talk to us if you have any concerns.

If you have any questions or need to speak to me, I am free most mornings and afternoons after school, so please ask at the office and Mrs Birrell will be sure to see if I am free. If not, I will make sure to make an appointment with you.

Thanks very much,

Miss Linder

P.S A few dates to be mindful of this half term:

Friday 9th September: Bewilderwood trip

Tuesday 13th September: Meet & Greet morning

Friday 23rd September: Jeans for Genes Day

Friday 7th October: Harvest Festival

18th & 19th October: Parent's evening

Friday 21st October: Norwich Cathedral trip (R.E. DAY)