



# We can be heroes!

## Autumn 2018

On behalf of Mrs Robshaw and I, I would like to extend a huge welcome to all of our new Adventurers. We aim to start with a Bang, Thwack and Kapow as we open our year with a Mini Adventure all about heroes. As well as finding out a little about those who reside in the pages of comic books, we will be focusing on the special abilities and strengths that make each of us super and unique. We shall also give thought to those heroes who help us in the community and consider our roles and responsibilities in school and in the wider world.

Please see the Mini Adventure map for further details about curriculum objectives for this term.

### **PE and Swimming**

On Wednesdays, Mrs Burroughs will once again be leading the children in PE. As the children will be working outside, please ensure that they have appropriate clothing – warm trousers/top. Swimming continues in the usual timeslot on Thursday afternoon, with the children arriving back at approximately 3:15pm.

### **Homework**

All children will receive a homework book on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Inside, you will find one piece of English work, two maths sheets and some spellings to learn. These spellings are common words that appear regularly in children's reading and writing and, by committing these to memory, more time can be focused on segmenting and spelling new and unfamiliar words. We will carry out a weekly spelling check of these words on a Thursday morning. We ask that all homework books are handed in on Thursdays.

### **Reading**

Your child's reading books will be changed on Monday and Thursday, with children being heard read by a member of staff each week – this is in addition our daily phonic and spelling work, during which we will develop the reading skills of segmenting and blending. We ask that you write in your child's reading record, especially to indicate that books have been completed. We would be thrilled to welcome any volunteers who would like to listen to readers, even if it is in a spare 20 minutes before 3 o'clock pick up. If you have any availability on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon, please get in touch.

### **Forest Based Learning**

On Friday afternoon, we look to continue with our FBL skills. With our 'whatever the weather' approach, please ensure that children have appropriate clothing (jumpers, wellies, gloves hats/caps, sun cream if necessary). We will provide all children with waterproof coats and trousers.

If you have any questions or queries, please arrange an appointment with Mr Long and I will be more than happy to meet with you.

Many thanks

*Mr Pearson and Mrs Robshaw*