



**Welcome to Tintern**  
**Autumn Term 2024 Newsletter**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your child/children have all had a relaxing summer and that they are looking forward to the beginning of a new school year full of fun and learning! We are really looking forward to meeting you all!

**Drop off/Pick Up**

The day will continue as normal with the children coming in through the KS1 gate which will be open at **8.35am**. Please bring your child to the KS1 playground. The bell will ring at **8.40am**, at which point the children will line up in their classes and be led inside by their class teacher for the register. The KS1 gate will then be opened at **3:10pm** and the children will be collected from the classroom door at **3.15pm**.

**History**

In History this term our topic is 'Marvellous Me' where the children will learn all about how we change as we grow up, looking at our own personal timelines and comparing the things the children have access to in their lives, such as their toys, to the toys of the past.

**Science**

In Science, we will be learning about the human body and our 5 senses. The children will explore what each sense does, how it works and why our senses are important.

**Reading and Phonics**

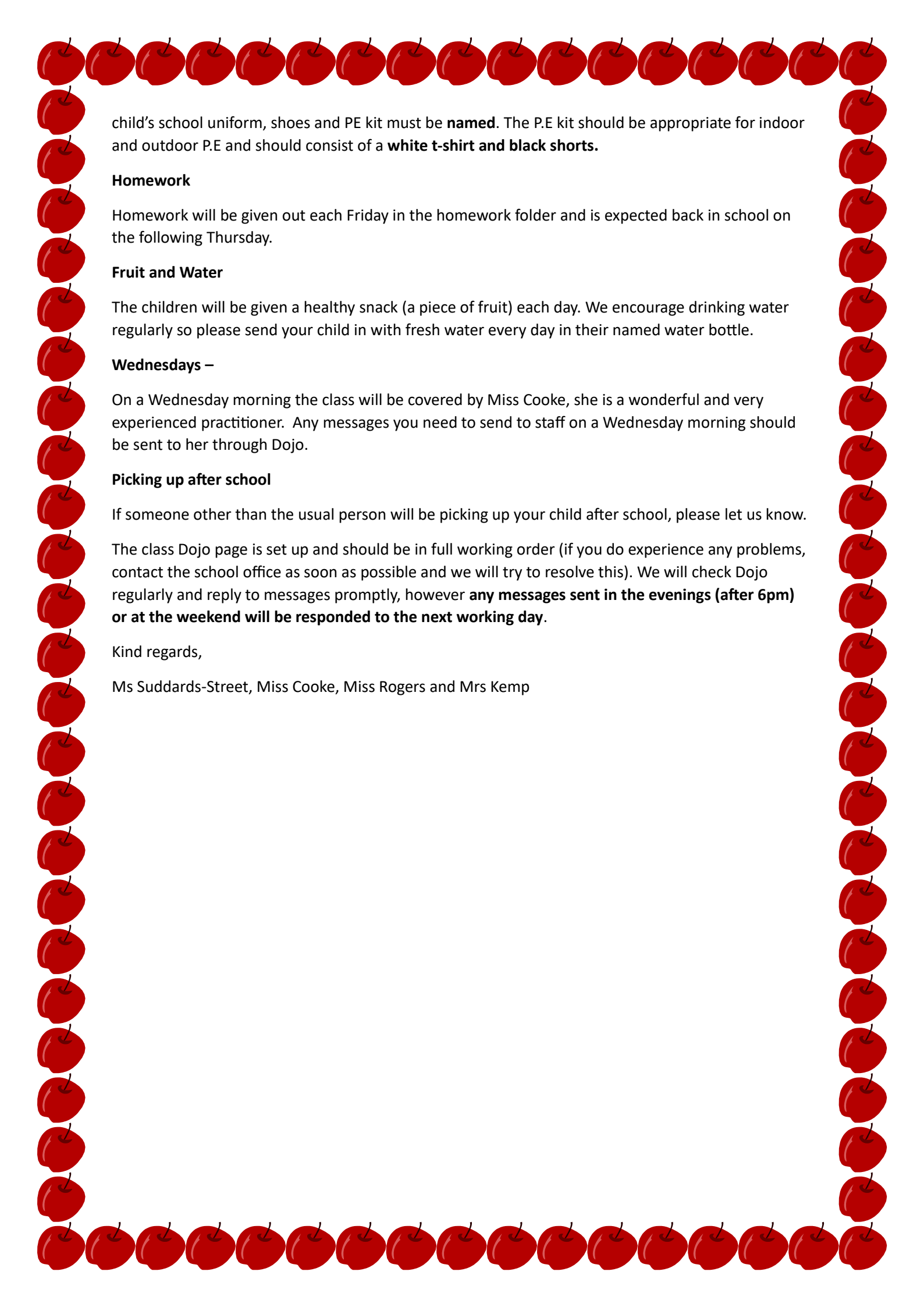
The children will be taught daily phonics using our fantastic scheme Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised. The children will come home with their phonics books on a **Friday**, and these will include sounds that your child has learnt, and they will have shared the book with an adult in school before they bring it home. As a result of this, your child should be able to read it independently. In addition to the phonics book, they will also take home a 'sharing' book that they will **not** be able to read independently and is designed to be shared with a grown-up. They may, of course, choose to read something they have at home for this instead.

Little Wandle books will be sent home on a Friday from **week 2**. Please return the book on the following **Friday**. The books we have purchased are a valuable resource and we kindly ask that you keep the books in good condition so they last as long as possible. Sharing books will be changed on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**.

Every child will have a 'Home School Record' with their reading books for yourself to record when your child has read. Dojo points are awarded for daily reading, but only if the home school record is signed. If the home school record is not signed, or if the book is not returned to school, your child will not be able to choose a different book.

**P.E.**

PE will take place every week on **Tuesday**. Please send your child to school in their PE kit with their school uniform and school shoes in a separate bag ready to get changed into after PE. All of your



child's school uniform, shoes and PE kit must be **named**. The P.E kit should be appropriate for indoor and outdoor P.E and should consist of a **white t-shirt and black shorts**.

### **Homework**

Homework will be given out each Friday in the homework folder and is expected back in school on the following Thursday.

### **Fruit and Water**

The children will be given a healthy snack (a piece of fruit) each day. We encourage drinking water regularly so please send your child in with fresh water every day in their named water bottle.

### **Wednesdays –**

On a Wednesday morning the class will be covered by Miss Cooke, she is a wonderful and very experienced practitioner. Any messages you need to send to staff on a Wednesday morning should be sent to her through Dojo.

### **Picking up after school**

If someone other than the usual person will be picking up your child after school, please let us know.

The class Dojo page is set up and should be in full working order (if you do experience any problems, contact the school office as soon as possible and we will try to resolve this). We will check Dojo regularly and reply to messages promptly, however **any messages sent in the evenings (after 6pm) or at the weekend will be responded to the next working day**.

Kind regards,

Ms Suddards-Street, Miss Cooke, Miss Rogers and Mrs Kemp