



# St George's School Bourton

A Church of England School

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learn together ... shine!**

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Dear Silver Base Parents,

This letter is just to let you know how things will work in Silver base this year. Sorry to those of you who know the ropes - there will be a point to getting this letter, so read on!

The main change in Silver Base this year – apart from welcoming the shiny new year threes – is that Ms Rankin and Mrs Toy are sharing the teacher role now. Mrs Toy will be in on Mondays, Tuesdays and alternate Wednesdays and Ms Rankin will be in on Thursdays, Fridays and alternate Wednesdays.

### **What do they need in Silver Base?**

In Silver Base the children are given further opportunities to be independent and take responsibilities for their organisation and belongings. Each day your child should ensure they have:

**Home-link Diary** – to enhance communication between home and school each child in Key Stage 2 has a diary. They will record any letters they have received and any home-learning tasks they have to complete. Parents and school staff can use the diary to write messages to each other as appropriate. As class teachers we will sign these each Wednesday; we request that parents also sign these by Tuesday night to show they have received all the communications recorded.

These diaries are also used as a place in which you can **record when and how much your child has read**, either to you or independently. This enables your child to move their rocket in the rocket reading challenge! For those that are new to our rocket challenge: each child has a named rocket that he or she can move one space for every one or two books (age/reading level/book dependant!) The system relies on their home reading being recorded in their diaries. Many thanks in advance!

**Named water bottle** – this should be clearly named and is kept in the classroom. It can be accessed during lessons as appropriate.

**Snack (fruit/veg)** - in Key stage 2 children need to bring their own healthy snack as the government funding only provides snacks for KS1 children. Snacks should be put in a small named container. These are stored in the classroom ready for snack time. There is still the option to order milk for your child at snack time in Key Stage 2. Ask Mrs Hudson about this.

Children need to bring their books in a blue St George's book bag and/or a **small** rucksack.

**There will be no need for children to bring their own pencil case; all resources will be provided in school.**

**PE will be on Wednesdays and Fridays.**

**Please make sure your child has PE kit in on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September.**

Information about timing as regards homework will be in the front of your child's home link diary.

We are really looking forward to working with your children in Silver Base.

Ms Rankin and Mrs Toy  
Silver Base Class Teachers