### Useful home learning links:

**P.E** – To help keep active there are a number of sites you can visit that do short P.E sessions for children:

Joe Wickes: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9sciRMnE1c</u> Cosmic Yoga: <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/CosmicKidsYoga/videos</u> Jump Start Jonny: <u>https://www.jumpstartjonny.co.uk/free-stuff</u>

**Reading** - It is really important that you keep reading daily with your child. I understand that this might become tiresome after 6 weeks (!) so here are some sites which have great books/stories for the children to listen to for free. You could then talk about the story they have chosen to listen to. <u>https://stories.audible.com/discovery</u> <u>https://www.storylineonline.net/</u> <u>https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/free-ebooks/</u>

**Maths** – Your child has a Numbots account, which can be accessed and played as much as you want. We are going to be working on our times tables during term 3. This is a great website for practising them: <u>https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button</u>

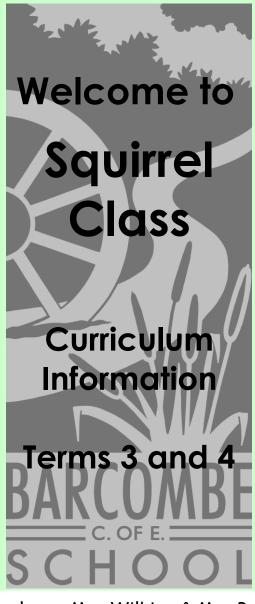
**Handwriting** - Please keep encouraging your child to hold their pencil correctly and to form their letters properly at home. At school, we practise lead-ins so that they are ready for cursive writing. The children should all be writing in joined up writing by the end of Year 2 but it's never too early to begin practising!

General - BBC Bitesize are doing daily sessions for each year group if you fancy a change or something additional to the lessons provided by us

Check it out: <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/this-terms-topics</u>

# School contact:

Our school website is <u>www.barcombe.e-sussex.sch.uk</u> the link to Google Classrooms can be found on the website or you can visit <u>https://classroom.google.com/</u>. All the online learning and classroom meets will happen through Google Classroom.



Teachers: Mrs Wilkins & Mrs Payne

#### English

In our English lessons this term, Squirrel Class will be delving deep into our new Project called *Home*. In the first few weeks of term 3, we will be reading the text 'In Every House on Every Street' and thinking about adjectives, verbs and sentence structure. We will be using these skills to write our own pages for the book too.

During the rest of term 3 and into term 4 we will be looking at two books called 'Beegu' and 'The Lonely Beast'. Both are excellently written books that look at the themes of diversity, belonging, friendship and accepting differences. The children will be using the texts as a basis for drama, information writing, story writing and comprehension work.

#### Maths

The children are very excited to hear that our main focus for term 3 will be times tables and learning to confidently count in, and use, multiples of 2, 3, 5 and 10. The children will learn what the 'x' symbol means, how to use it successfully and will hopefully become proficient in their 2, 3, 5, and 10 times tables. We will then move on to looking at division in the context of sharing equally. The children will be solving simple division problems and beginning to use the division sign. The Year 2 children will also look at the relationship between multiplication and division.

# Geography

Our Geography work this term is especially important as our project is 'Home'. During term 3 we will be looking at houses in the UK, especially in our local area. We will be developing our mapping skills. We will also be comparing the village of Barcombe with towns and cities and talking about their human and physical features. The children will be looking at the four points of compass, using the directional language.

During term 4, we will move on to look at houses and homes around the world and we will develop our map skills further by looking at world maps and the 7 continents of the world. We will also be doing some cooking <sup>(3)</sup>

#### Science

Our focus this term in Science is Living Things and Their Habitats. We will be identifying and naming a variety of minibeasts. We will also be going on a minibeast hunt and looking for minibeasts in microhabitats. We will design a bug hotel thinking about the needs of different minibeasts. We will also look at larger habitats and the animals that live in them. We will think about what animals need to survive and will begin to learn about food chains.



### P.E.

Mr Timmins will be providing short P.E video sessions the children can try at home over the course of term 3. Keep an eye on Google Classroom for them! During term 4, the children will be developing their balancing, jumping and climbing skills in a series of gymnastics sessions.

#### Art and DT

Self-portraits, building houses from junk and Lego, cooking and drawing landscapes are just some of the fun Art and DT tasks the children can expect to be trying over the next two terms!

# Computing

I realise that the children will be using technology more than ever during term 3. However, we will be using Purple Mash to support our Geography learning about maps and the children will also have a week at the end of term 3 using Purple Mash to develop their coding skills as the use keys and simple formulas to navigate their way through mazes.

### R.E

This term, we are looking at world faiths, in particular Judaism. The children will be introduced to fictional Jewish child called Zoe who will help to teach them all about Yom Kippur, and Rosh Hashanah. The children will also read the story Jonah and the Whale and think about the moral of the story and the word 'repentance'.