

# 21st November 2022



Dear Parents/Carers.

The children had a lovely time on our autumn walk around Cheam Park last week. We did lots of exploring! We looked carefully at the different types of trees and enjoyed looking out for leaves, conkers, pine cones and squirrels!

# Arriving at school

The children have been doing so well coming into school with Year 1 and Year 2 through the main gate. Please remember that the gate closes promptly at 8.45am. If the gate has already closed, please do not attempt to open it. Instead, please go to the office where you will be able to sign your child in and they will be able to come to class from there.

## Library reminder

Our final library visit this half term will be this Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November. All library books will need to be returned by the following week (30<sup>th</sup> November). Many thanks for your support.

#### Spare clothes

We are very short of underwear (particularly girls), socks and tights. If you have items to spare, any donations are much appreciated!

#### Houses

We will be putting the children into their house groups this week and they will begin to receive house points. If your child has a sibling in the school, they will be in the same house. Please discuss this with your child. The children will need to remember which house they are in as they will stay in this house throughout their time at St Dunstan's. Each week the house points from every class are totalled and the winning house is announced on Friday. This is something that the children look forward to very much.

#### Literacy:

Please revise all the letter sounds taught so far:

s/a/t/p/i/n/m/d/g/o/c/k/ck/e/u/r/h/b/f/l/ff/ll/ss/j/v/w/x/y/z/zz/qu/ch

This week's sounds: sh, th, ng, nk
'Tricky' words: she, push, he, of

Please also review: go, no, to, into, and, has, his, her, put, pull, full, as, I, is, the

The children need lots of practise with tricky words. Please review them regularly at home.

### Mathematics:

We will be looking at capacity, revisiting 3D shapes and exploring different numbers bonds up to 5.

Thank you for your continued support!

The Reception Team