Welcome to Squirrels Class

## About your teacher

Miss Barton has been a teacher at Copdock for 2 years, teaching both Year 1 and 2. She has a passion for reading and art and also loves singing and dancing.

## Routines

PE: Monday and Thursday, please come to school in your PE kit.
Spelling test and Number challenge: Every Friday.
Homework: Given out every Friday and due in the next Friday.
Books: Must be in school every day, reading records will be checked every Friday for the reading challenge (You will need 5 reads a week recorded, this can be any form of reading for pleasure).

A typical day in Squirrels<br>8:45-Register and activity<br>8:55 - Phonics/spelling<br>9:20 - Writing/Reading<br>10:15 - Assembly<br>10:30 - Break time<br>10:45 - Maths<br>11:40 - Guided reading or Handwriting<br>12:00 - Lunchtime<br>1:00-Register and mastering number session.<br>1:15 - Topic (Science, PE, History, Geography, RE, PSHE, Music, Art, DT, French, Forest schools)<br>2:45 - Story<br>3.15 - Hometime

If you wish to speak to me, I am often about at the end of the day. Otherwise, you can email the office with your questions or to make an appointment.


## Homework

Homework will be set every Friday and due in for the next Friday. It will take the same format every week, with an alternation of a Maths or English activity for Year 2 and a phonics activity for Year 1.
Reading challenge: Read $5 x$ a week for $5-10$. Please write these reads in the orange reading log, this will be checked on Friday and those who have completed their five reads will receive a sticker for the chart, which they will collect in order to gain certificates. Recorded reads can be any form of reading for pleasure.
Spellings: Spellings will be set every week based on our focus in phonics/spelling that week. These will also be uploaded to spelling shed which you can use to practise.
You will also have half termly spellings which we will test at the end of every half term. These will be your Year 1/ Year 2 common exception words.
Number challenge: Practise for the number challenge. We will test your number bonds/times tables every Friday, based on your current level (We will write the challenge you are currently focusing on in your homework book.)
Topic activities will also be set, these will be short and fun activities that reference the children's learning in class.

