Dear Parents,

Welcome back, I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer and managed to take advantage of the lovely weather we have had.

Whether your child is returning to swift class for a second year or starting for the first time, some of the routines have changed. I am taking this opportunity to outline these changes.

The children’s takeaway (topic) homework will follow a different structure this year. A sheet will be sent home every long term with nine tasks. Children are expected to complete six of these task over the duration of the long term (to Christmas break). So that children are not left with all six tasks to complete in the final few weeks, a deadline has been set every two weeks for an individual piece of the child’s choosing. They have the freedom to complete any of the tasks they are interested in but should end the long term having completed six in total.

Along with the children’s weekly spellings, that go home each Friday, a bi weekly Maths or Grammar and Punctuation homework will go home on Mondays (to be returned Wednesday). 10 minutes reading should be attempted each day, this can be recorded in the children’s homework diaries. These will need to be handed in on Wednesday and Friday to make sure children are keeping up to date with their reading.

If you do have any questions at any point then please come and speak to me or leave a comment in the diary for me and I will do my best to sort any queries. On the class webpage you will find the topic web to see what Swift class will be doing across this term, the spelling lists for the entire term, the takeaway homework sheet and regularly updated pictures to show what we have been up to.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C. Hanrahan