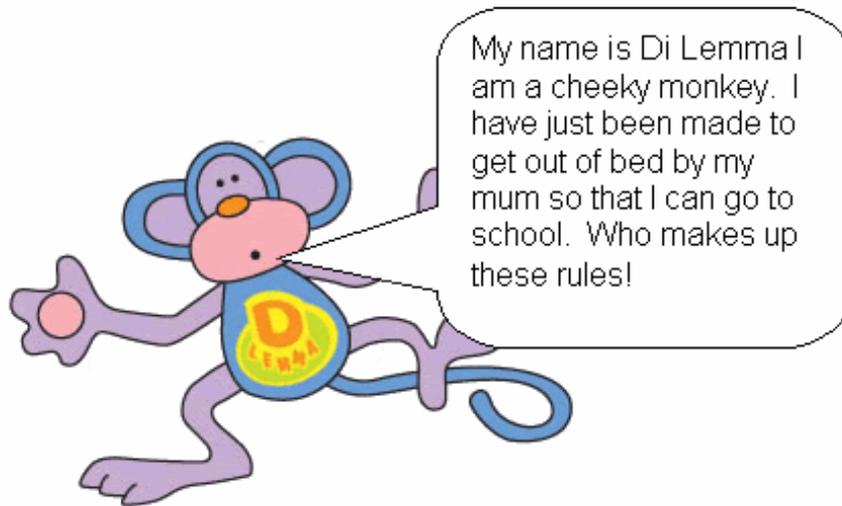


Di Lemma goes to school



Di Lemma's mum woke Di Lemma up ready for school, she made him get up and put his school uniform on. "Why do I have to wear a uniform?" Di Lemma asked his mum. His mum said "because it is school rules, all the children have to wear school uniform." "But why?" asked Di Lemma. Di Lemma's mum explained to Di Lemma that the school asks all children to wear a uniform so that they all look smart and dress the same and it means parents don't have to buy children loads of different clothes to wear. It means all the students that go to the school can be recognised, so if there was a stranger or someone that didn't go to the school on the school grounds, then they could be easily spotted.

Di Lemma's mum took him to school and walked him to the front gate. The bell went and all of the children hurried to their classrooms. The teacher then got them to all sit on the rug while she took the register. "Why do you take the register?" asked Di Lemma. The teacher replied that it was the rules and she had to do it everyday. Di Lemma asked her why it was a rule. She explained that she has to check each day who is at school and who is not, so she can find out if any children are ill or if they got lost on the way to school.

All day Di Lemma had to be in different places at different times. He had to be dressed a certain way for PE and he had to wear an apron in cookery. Every time he asked why he was told it was because it was the rules. He was told he had to be at the school hall for PE on time so the lesson could start on time and they could get a whole game of cricket finished. He was told he had to wear his shorts and t-shirt so that he wouldn't get too hot whilst he was playing. It was also to make sure his school uniform didn't get dirty. This was the reason he had to wear an apron in cookery too.

Di Lemma got changed from PE and ran to the lunch room. "DI LEMMA" shouted his teacher "NO RUNNING!" Di Lemma stopped in his tracks and sighed "another rule". "Yes" said his teacher "this rule is to stop people getting hurt. If you ran into one of the smaller children you might knock them over and hurt them." "I guess so said Di Lemma I hadn't really thought of that." Most rules are in place to keep us safe." said his teacher.

For the rest of the day Di Lemma stuck to all the rules, he didn't talk in class, he was on time and he didn't run in the corridors. He didn't find it hard and his mum was very proud of him after school when he told her what he'd done.

Di Lemma says bye until next time.....