

Year 6 Term 4 Newsletter

Wednesday 22nd February 2023

Welcome Back

We hope you have had a restful break and ready to start your learning in Term 4. We cannot wait to see you keep progressing over this term and making us proud every day. Read the rest of this newsletter to find out more about our learning in Term 4.

English

In English, we will be reading and basing our writing around The Light Jar. We will continue to look at different genres/styles of writing and apply the key features to our own writing. After each piece of writing, children will be given the opportunity to edit their work with a purple polishing pen. Each week, we will focus on a different area of SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) to ensure these are always applied in our writing. Non-negotiables such as basic punctuation, key common exception spelling words and joined handwriting will need to be visible in every piece of writing.

Maths

In Term 4, we will be learning about decimals, percentages and fractions. Then, we will move onto area, perimeter and volume. By the end of the term, we will be looking at statistics. In each of our maths lessons, we will revisit previous learning to ensure it is fresh in our memory. Make sure you keep practising your times tables and 4 operations with your homework.

Reading

You will be expected to read every day, with a comment in your contact book about what you have read. We do ask parents to check and sign contact books daily in case there are any messages which have been communicated, as well as, looking at the reading progress of your child. Adults in school will also be checking the contact books daily for any messages from parents. This is a key tool in communication between home and school and we should have contact books in school **every day**.

In school, we will have guided reading sessions in class which will be based around VIPERS. In addition to this, you will have reading for pleasure time.

Curriculum

In History, we will be learning about the Tudors. We will continue to learn about South America in Geography. By the end of the term, we will start our learning on Biomes. In science, we will be learning about fossils, the Earth's movement and circuits.

PE

This term we will have **outdoor PE** on **Monday** afternoons and **indoor PE** on a **Friday** afternoon. Please ensure on both days you come into school in your PE kit. Earrings cannot be worn during PE lessons, so it's advised to keep them at home.

Reminders for parents:

- The school day finishes at 3:20. School start time will still be 8:45 with the gate closing at 8:50. Please ensure your child is not on site before 8.35.
- If you would like your child to walk home, please give permission on Arbor.
- If your child walks to school, they are allowed to bring their mobile to school, but it has to be handed to the office before they go into school.
- Homework will be set on a **Friday** and due back on **Wednesday**. A homework club will be offered on **Thursday/Friday** lunchtime every week.
- **World Book Day**- Friday 3rd March- Children to dress up.
- **Inset day**- Monday 20th March- No children to attend.
- **SATS Week**- Tuesday 9th May- Friday 12th May- More details to follow.

Final note...

We ask you support your children with their learning at home. Encouraging children with reading, homework, TTRS and Spelling Shed will have the greatest impact on their learning. We will continue to offer additional Booster sessions to certain children this term whilst looking at test questions during lessons to make the children feel comfortable and confident answering the questions. We want your children to achieve success just as much as you so ask that you support these sessions. If you do have any questions about their learning, please ask.

Mr Harrison, Mrs Jeffery, Miss Martin and Mrs Stephen.