

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to all of our children. We are looking forward to an exciting Autumn Term with many opportunities both in and out of the classroom.

We continue with our school driver 'Legacy'. Therefore, the children will continue to be promoting the fifteen principles in order to be the best that they can be.

The classes in Key Stage 2 this academic year are as follows: Year 3 - Mrs Hollingsworth; Year 4 - Mr Easby; Year 5 - Mr Nichols and Year 6 - Mr Manning and Miss Archard.

Mr Sims will be working with Year 4 on Tuesday afternoons and with Year 6 on Wednesday afternoons for the Autumn Term. Mr Byrne will be working with Year 5 on a Wednesday afternoon and Year 6 on Thursday.

Please provide your child with a suitable PE kit (white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers) and ensure that your child's name and year group are clearly labelled. They should remember to bring their PE kit to school every Monday and take it home on a Friday. Please note, Year 6 children will be leaving school in their PE kits on a Thursday.

# Homework

Day set	Subject	Day to be handed in
Y3 Monday	Maths, English, or Topic (when appropriate)	The following Monday
	Spelling (weekly)	
Y4 Monday	Maths, English, or Topic (when appropriate)	The following Monday
	Spelling (weekly)	
Y5 Monday	Maths, English, or Topic (when appropriate)	The following Monday
	Spelling (weekly)	
Y6 Monday	Maths, English, or Topic (when appropriate)	The following Monday
	Spelling (weekly)	

Reading homework:

• Independent reading books to be read and shared with an adult in school and at home. Your child should be encouraged to read every day.

• Your child may be asked to read on SeeSaw - please check for notifications regarding varied reading activities at home.





Our main theme for the Autumn term is based around our class Power of Reading book, 'The Green Ship' by Quentin Blake. We will also be reading 'Ice Palace' by Robert Swindells.

# English, Communication and Language

We will be writing character descriptions, setting descriptions and re-telling stories orally. As part of our non-fiction writing, we will create diary entries and letters to home.

# **Mathematics**

Throughout the term, we will be developing our understanding of how to represent and partition numbers within 1000, count in 50s and 100s, find 100 more or less, estimate, order and compare numbers to 1000 making use of number lines. We will then focus on using written methods to support the four operations.

# <u>RE</u>

We will be asking the question, 'What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?' <u>Scientific and Technological Understanding</u>

Our Science topics this term are Animals including Humans: The Human Body and Nutrition, Forces and Magnets.

In Computing, we will learn how to program a device to accomplish a specific goal. We will design, write and run programs using a programming language, as well as debugging algorithms and correcting errors.

# Physical Development/Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In PE, we will be working with James Lofthouse each week to develop our football skills, as well as playing invasion games (Hockey). We will be learning expressive arts by linking dance to our class book, 'Ice Palace'

Our RSE focus will be 'becoming an active citizen' and 'families and people who care for me'. We will focus on 'New beginnings' in SEAL and our RRSA focus will be linking the UN convention articles within our daily teaching.

# Expressive Arts and Design

Music - We will learn to express our thoughts and feelings about music, alongside evaluating music using vocabulary to identify areas of likes and dislikes. We will sing with control of pitch e.g. follow the shape of the melody.

# <u>Art</u>

When drawing, the children will learn to use shading to create tone using an increasing awareness of composition (foreground /background). We will also be giving the children the opportunity to experiment with different grades of pencil; from HB to 8B. When painting, we will work on a range of scales, selecting the most appropriate sized brush e.g. thick brush for large work, thin brush for smaller areas.



### <u>Curriculum Theme</u>

Our main theme for this term will be based on our Power of Reading book 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' by Joe Todd Stanton.

# English, Communication and Language

This term we will be writing extended narrative pieces, playscripts and investigating different poetic forms. We will produce recounts, persuasive pieces, newspaper reports and non-chronological reports.

# **Mathematics**

Throughout the term, we will be focussing on daily arithmetic skills through Times Table Rock Stars. We will also develop our understanding of Place Value up to 10000, the four operations and area.

# Scientific and Technological Understanding

Our Science topics this term will be Digestion and Food, and Electricity and Circuits. Our computing focus will be Coding and to ensure that our children remain safe when online by developing their knowledge and understanding of e-Safety.

# <u>RE</u>

In RE, we will be asking the question, 'What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?'

# Physical Development/Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In P.E., we will be teaching the children invasion game skills through ball games including hockey and football with James Lofthouse. We will focus on New Beginnings (SEAL) and becoming an active citizen while learning more about families and people who care for us (PSHCE and RSE). Our ECM focus will consider achieving economic wellbeing. As part of our RRSA focus, we will link UN convention articles into our daily teaching

# Expressive Arts and Design

In Art, when drawing, we will use shading to create a 3D effect with an increasing awareness of scale. When painting, the children will be given the chance to experiment with different effects and textures including watercolour washes and thickened paint. We will enhance our work through the use of simple digital graphic packages

# <u>Music</u>

In Music we will learn to sing with an awareness of pulse and control of rhythm, whilst also showing control of voice.



### Curriculum Theme

Our main theme for this term will be based around our class Power of Reading books: 'Varmints' by Helen Ward and Marc Craste and 'Way Home' by Libby Hathorn and Gregory Rogers.

### English, Communication and Language

This term we will be writing in role, writing both setting and character descriptions, alongside creating recounts, extended narratives and poetry.

# <u>Mathematics</u>

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# our skills in Number, Place Value and Calculations, d Percentages. We will also be focussing on

Our Science topics this term will be: Mixtures and Separation followed by Properties and Changes.

Our computing focus will be E-safety focused equipping pupils with the skills to protect themselves when working online. We will also be looking at Coding and Data Handling.

# <u>RE</u>

We will be posing the questions, 'Why do some people believe God exists?' followed by 'What would Jesus do? Can we live by the values of Jesus in the twenty-first century?'

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# Expressive Arts and Design

In Art, we will be exploring a variety of artists. When painting and drawing, we will be looking at using a greater awareness of compositions (foreground/ middle ground/ background) and scale and proportion. When painting, we will be encouraging the creation of atmosphere and movement in through texture and choice of paint.

# <u>Music</u>

In Music, we will be exploring and developing simple rhythmic, melodic and harmonic accompaniments and patterns. We will also be learning to sing expressively with an awareness and control of musical element. Before creating a piece of music, we will learn how to listen and follow standard and invented notation.

### Understanding the World

History - Twentieth Century Conflict - The children will learn about the causes and events of World War I. We will plot and describe different historical periods, analyse consequences of events and begin to describe historical bias.



# Curriculum Theme

Our main theme for this term is based on our class Power of Reading book; 'The Savage' by David Almond.

# English, Communication and Language

We will be writing our own Extended Narrative pieces including Dialogue, alongside creating Biographies, pieces of Journalistic Writing, Recount writing, Explanations and Persuasive texts.

# **Mathematics**

Throughout the term we will be developing our understanding of Number and Place Value, the Four Operations – fluency, reasoning and problem solving, and Fractions, Decimals and Percentages alongside daily Arithmetic and SATS preparation activities.

# Scientific and Technological Understanding

In Science, we will be covering Living Things and their Habitats and Light.

Our Computing focus will be becoming confident when working with variables and generate appropriate inputs and predicted outputs to test programs. When investigating e-Safety, we will be encouraging the children to be discerning in evaluating digital content in relation to their own safety.

# RE

In RE, we will ask the questions, 'What do Religions say to us when life gets hard?' and 'What matters most to Christians and Humanists?'

# Physical Development/Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In PE, we will be developing our skills within Invasion Games with Mr Byrne, as well as weekly Outdoor and Adventurous Activities (OAA) with Mr Sims to help develop our communication and teamwork skills. We will focus on New Beginnings (SEAL) and becoming an active citizen. We will also be learning about families and people who care for us (PSHCE and RSE). As part of our RRSA focus, we will link UN convention articles into our daily teaching.

# Expressive Arts and Design

Art - We will be giving the children the opportunity to create collages, paintings and digital media, as well as using techniques to enhance painted, printed or drawn backgrounds to create a specific effect. We will use simple digital graphic packages to create layered images from an original idea in a sketchbook. Alongside this, we will study Artists and Architects to support the development of our new skills.

# <u>Music</u>

Children are to be exposed to various composers throughout the term, whilst developing singing skills and using instruments expressively. We will teach the children to listen to and respond to, appraise, perform and transcribe music.

### Understanding the World

History - Twentieth Century Conflict - The children will learn about the causes and events of World War II. We will plot and describe different historical periods, analyse consequences of events and begin to describe historical bias.