



Autumn 2 Newsletter November 2023

YEAR 3 (Fox Class)



Dear Parents/Carers,

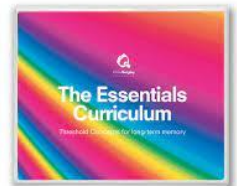
In this newsletter you will find information on what we are studying this term as well as general information and key dates for your diary. As ever, should you have any questions, do contact us via ClassDojo.

As you are aware, our new school values are Resilience, Community and Respect. Please continue to discuss these at home with your child and how they can reflect these at home and school.

Miss Morgan, Mrs Peeke and Mrs Pitcher.



Term 2 Learning



Our curriculum is underpinned by the Essentials Curriculum by Chris Quigley, which provides us with a coherent, progressive and appropriately sequenced curricular structure to enable the children to develop subject specific knowledge and skills to prepare them well for the next stages of their education. We also use specific schemes such as White Rose Maths and Jigsaw (PSHE).

This term the children's learning will be as follows:

English	Our focus book this term is Journey by Aaron Becker. We will be writing descriptively, focusing on using similes and expanded noun phrases in our writing. This will include pieces of writing such as a description of a setting and a story. Alongside this book, we will also be writing persuasively where we will be learning about and including a variety of conjunctions in our writing.
Maths	We will start this term by continuing with our addition and subtraction topic. This includes both column addition and column subtraction, with exchanging and regrouping across tens and hundreds. We will then start our multiplication and division topic, where we will look closely at multiplying and dividing within the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.
RE	Our focus in RE this term is Sikhism. Our big question is 'What is important for Sikh people?'. In this topic, we will be exploring the Sikh religion, describing things that are important to Sikh people, as well as looking at their beliefs about God.
History	This term we will be looking at both the Bronze Age and the Iron Age and exploring different aspects of these significant periods of time.
Geography	In geography, we will be looking at physical processes, including learning about rivers, mountains and the water cycle.
Science	This term we have a focus on biology and chemistry. In biology, we will be learning about nutrition. In chemistry, we will be looking at solids, liquids and gases.

Art	We will be looking at Abstract art and artists, with a specific focus on Wassily Kandinsky.
DT	In DT lessons this term we are going to be building foldable safety fences using our learning of linked levers from term 1.
PE	During PE lessons, we will be learning tag rugby where we will be developing pupils' understanding of the game and of the skills required to keep possession of the ball as a team.
PSHE	Our overarching topic this term is Celebrating Differences. We will be learning about what bullying is, standing up for ourselves and others and learning that we do not use words to hurt other people.

Additional information

Spellings – these are set every Friday and evaluated on the following Friday, these are posted on Class Dojo.

Reading – Please read regularly with your child at home. Sign their reading record and help them earn Accelerated Reader awards and House points. We cannot stress how much of a positive impact this has on your child's reading ability.

If you need to contact us, please use ClassDojo. We will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible. Do note that teachers cannot see messages sent to other teachers. You are given the option to choose who you want to send the message to when composing it.

Finally, a reminder to make sure everything is named, this includes (as the weather gets colder) hats, scarves, gloves and any new coats!

Thank you!



Key dates/information

Monday 6th – Monday 13th November – sponsored reading event.

Monday 13th November - Friday 17th November – Anti-bullying week.

Monday 20th November and Thursday 23rd November – parent consultations (more information to follow).

Wednesday 6th December – KS2 Panto (at school).

Friday 8th December – Christmas jumper day.

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas dinner day and Elf Day.

Wednesday 20th December – End of term (1.30pm finish).

