



Autumn 2 Newsletter November 2023

YEAR 6 (Tigers)

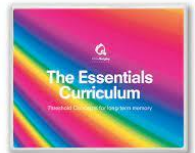
Dear Parents/Carers,

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. Should you have any questions, do contact us via ClassDojo or, if a quick query, catch us at the end of the day.

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



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. To augment this, we also use specific schemes such as White Rose Maths and Jigsaw (PSHE).

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

English - writing

Our writing outcomes this term will be linked to our class text. We will be writing for persuasion and using tension and suspense to compose a narrative.

English - reading

We are continuing with our daily reading and comprehension sessions, using VIPERS (vocabulary, inference prediction, explanation, reasoning and summary) to support acquisition of reading skills. The children will also continue to practice using expression, accuracy, speed and intonation to read with fluency. Our class text this term is Skellig by David Almond.

Maths

This term our main focus is fractions. As well as some new learning we will be revising all the children's learning on this subject from previous years. If your child is not secure in their times tables and associated division facts please encourage them to practice on TT Rockstars regularly. To conclude the term we will be looking at converting units of measurement.

RE

This term we will be looking at Gospel texts in relation to our key question: 'What would Jesus do?'. We will be considering how Christians can interpret and apply what is learned from these texts.

History

This term we will build and develop on the children's knowledge of the Aztec civilisation, consolidating their knowledge of world history, chronology and interpreting the past.

Geography

We will be continuing our study of North America, looking at how the population of this area has altered over time as well as exploring the rivers and mountains which can be found here.

Science

This term our focus is Physics and we will be learning to understand movement, forces and magnets.

Art/DT

This term the children will continue to explore Surrealist art through their investigation of various artists including Magritte, Klee and Dali.

PE

Our activity this term is gymnastics and the focus of the topic is matching and mirroring.

PSHE

Our overarching topic this term is Celebrating Differences. This includes looking at perceptions of normality and understanding disability. We will also look at how differences can cause conflict and how they can be celebrated.

Music

The children will be continuing to learn to play the recorder, this term with a focus on Jazz music.

Additional information

Spellings – these are set every Friday and evaluated on the following Friday. Hard copies are available but they are also posted on Spelling Shed. This app allows the children to practise their spellings and earn points (for the game and House points for school). If your child needs their login details, please let us know.

Times Table Rockstars – we set challenges and fun games through this platform. It is a fantastic way for your child to practise their times table knowledge in a fun way. If they have forgotten their login details do let us know.

Reading – Please do 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. Books from the school library can be taken home if signed out.

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).

