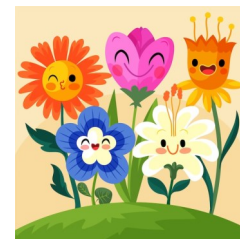


NEWSLETTER - SPRING TERM 2025

CLASSES 6, 7 & 8



Dear Parents/Carers

We hope that you have all had a lovely Christmas holiday and Santa brought all the things you wanted. We hope that the children are ready to begin another exciting term. This newsletter is to inform you about the topics that we are covering this term so that you can further support your children at home.



English

Spring 1: We will begin this term by reading 'The Time Slip Scarab' linking to our History topic on the Ancient Egyptians. We will learn how to punctuate speech using the 5 rules and rewrite the story using these skills. We will then learn about instruction texts and write a set of instructions for mummifying a body using time conjunctions, imperative verbs and adverbs.

Spring 2: Next term, we will write biographies using paragraphs, subheadings and fronted adverbials, leading to them writing a biography about Thomas Edison linking to our Science topic on 'light'. After this, we will learn persuasive writing techniques such as rhetorical questions, exaggeration and powerful adjectives to write a persuasive leaflet advertising the European country that we have studied in Geography.

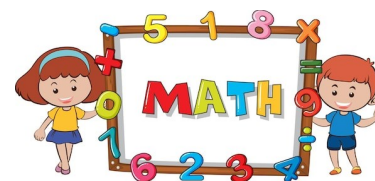
Maths

Multiplication and Division (Written): Multiplying 2 and 3-digit numbers by a 1-digit number using the expanded column method and dividing 3 and 2-digit numbers by a 1 digit number using a place value grid and counters.

Measures (Length, Area and Perimeter): Measuring in centimetres and millimetres, comparing and finding equivalent lengths including MM, CM, M and KM and adding and subtracting length.

Fractions: Comparing and ordering fractions and finding unit/non-unit fractions of amounts.

Measures (Mass and Capacity): Measuring and comparing mass in kilograms and grams, finding equivalent and addition and subtraction in mass and converting between measures. Measuring capacity/volume in millilitres and litres and converting between measures.



Reading

Reminder: please ensure that your child reads 5 times or more each week and that this is recorded and signed for in their planner. Each entry will count towards their reading awards.

What we are learning in the wider curriculum

RSHE: This term will be learning all about wellbeing and continuing with the work we started last half term. How to identify our own strengths, develop a growth mindset, taking responsibility for my own happiness and talking about bullying and understanding the hurt it causes.

RE: In the first term, we will learn about brave people in the bible Noah, Abraham, Hannah and David. We will also look at Hinduism, who Hindus worship, how they worship and where they worship. Exploring the Hindu belief of one God, Brahman and the various gods showing the many characteristics of Him. Later in the term, we will learn about Easter.

Art/DT: In art we will be looking at sculpture and creating a painted, clay Egyptian death mask. In Spring 2, we will be designing, making and evaluating a Mediterranean inspired pasta salad dish for a healthy lunch linked to our Geography topic about another European country.

PE: Before half term, we will be practicing our tennis skills and floor gymnastics. After half term, we will be improving our health and fitness and Lacrosse skills. Year 4's will be taking part in swimming sessions.

Science: Over the term we will be learning about light. We will recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light, notice that light is reflected from surfaces, recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes, recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by a solid object and find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change.

History/Geography: In history, we will learn about ancient Egypt, and how royalty (and rich Egyptians) had death masks made of gold or silver, whereas poorer people had clay or wood masks. In Geography, we will compare the UK and another European country.

Computing: We will be learning how to improve the speed we type by learning touch typing and Spring 2 we will learn about Email as a mode of electronic communication, sending files and photographs and how to stay safe on the internet.

Spellings

Each Monday, your child will be set 10 new spelling words. They will need to practice these 3 times on their homework sheet and return it to school on Friday.



TT Rock Stars

Make sure you keep practicing your times tables online. You need 25 stickers on the chart to be in with a chance of taking part in the fun day!!



Reminders

PE Kit: Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit (white or navy t-shirt and navy shorts) on PE days.

Planners: These should be signed daily and brought into school with their reading books, every day.

Nut Policy: Please remember, we are a nut free school. Please ensure your child does not bring anything with nuts in their lunch boxes.

Uniform: Please ensure the uniform policy is adhered to. Check your planners or the school website if you are unsure of the uniform policy. Please ensure you label all your child's school uniform



Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

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Mr Narborough
Miss King

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