

NEWSLETTER - AUTUMN TERM 2024

CLASSES 3, 4 & 5



Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you enjoyed the summer holiday! We are really excited to be starting a new year.

English

Our reading work will continue to follow RWI for those still on the programme and those that have completed the programme will do guided reading lessons around a text. Writing sessions will be taught whole class. In the first half of the Autumn Term, we will be focusing on the narrative 'Old Bear' and writing our own story about a toy. We will look at a persuasive text called 'Too many toys' and we will write a text to try and persuade an adult to keep a unused toy. In the second half of the Autumn Term, we will be focusing more on non-fiction texts and postcard writing around the text 'Meerkat Mail' followed by an instructional text about how to brush your teeth. The children will have weekly spelling and focused comprehension lessons as well as a daily grammar and punctuation lessons. The children will have weekly grammar and punctuation homework, alternated with maths and topic.



Maths

Children will continue to work in areas of the national curriculum including place value, calculations and measurements. In the autumn term, the children will be looking at place value, addition and subtraction and shape. Weekly lessons will include arithmetic as well as practical lessons. We will develop problem solving and reasoning skills. The children will have regular maths homework, alternated with grammar and topic.



What we are learning in the wider curriculum

RSHE: The focus in RSHE during the first half of the term will be 'Happy and Healthy Relationships' and 'Health and Well-being' during the second term.

RE: The focus in RE during the first half of the term will be 'Belonging' and 'Diwali and Christmas Celebrations' during the second term.

Art/DT: In DT, the children will be looking at mechanics and making a moving vehicle for a younger sibling or cousin to play with. In art, the children will be looking at the artist Paul Klee and completing a geometric painting of landmarks.

PE: In PE, the children will be learning multi-skills. In the second half term, they will be learning to play the invasion game football.

Science: The focus in science during the first half of the term will be 'identifying and grouping animals' and human body, basic needs to survive and the importance of exercise, diet and hygiene' during the second term.

History/Geography: In History, we will be learning about toys in the past and present. In Geography, we will be learning about Geographical features of where we live,

Nottingham.

Computing: The focus of the first half term, we will be learning about internet safety and exploring Purple Mash. In the second half term, we will be learning about effective searching.

Reminders

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

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

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.

Reading

Read regularly with your child. Try to aim for at least 5 times a week, build this into your evening and bedtime routines so it become a habit. Bedtime stories are invaluable for improving story ideas.



Spellings

Children will have weekly spellings, either linked to children's RWI lessons or a spelling rule for those children that have completed the RWI programme.

TT Rockstars

We will send out new logins. Get playing as much as you can and we will find out more about the new battles!



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

Miss Church

Class 3

Nightingales

Mrs Hackett

Class 4

Owls

Miss Revill

Class 5

Robins