

# Dandelion Class

## Year 3 January 2022



**Happy New Year!** Dandelions class at Middlethorpe Primary Academy are excited to continue with our knowledge based curriculum which places powerful knowledge at its heart. Each half term there is a different subject focus, this half term the whole school will be focussing on Art. To support children's learning we have developed Knowledge Organisers for Art, these aim to help children to retain and recall the essential knowledge that they will be taught. Each Knowledge Organiser includes key dates, people, vocabulary, definitions, events and contextual or technical information that we would like the children to know by heart by the end of the topic. Knowledge Organisers for each class can be found on the website for you to support them in learning the essential knowledge. We expect the majority of children to be able to recall all of the information on the Knowledge Organiser by the end of a half term. Why not have a family quiz? Try asking your child to teach you ten things they know each week. There are lots of fun ways to embed this crucial learning, have fun! Follow us on Twitter to see what we are doing in class (see below). CLASS DOJO will be used for class updates and communications.

### SPRING TERM SUBJECT FOCUS

We will be focusing on Art.

Our Enquiry question is:

**Can I create my own composition inspired by nature?**

We will explore artist's work, practise watercolour techniques and produce our own water-colour piece.

### In each subject we will be learning:

Science: Forces and magnetism

PE: Gym, floor and performance dance

PSHE: Dreams and Goals

RE: Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindus lead good lives?

Music: Singing

ICT: Digital Literacy - effective research

### English and Maths

**English:** Writing an explanation and instructions.

**Maths:** We are practising and refining multiplication and division. We will reason and solve a range of

### Important Days

PE is on **WEDNESDAYS**, children should come to school wearing outdoor PE kit including trainers. Earrings should be removed (preferred) or plasters provided if recently pierced. Unavoidably PE sometimes has to change, I will inform you of this through CLASS DOJO.

HOME LEARNING - children are subscribed to TTRS, Ed Shed and Reading Plus.

We all need to read 5 times a week and Reading Records will be checked when handed in weekly. On **THURSDAY** please. Reading books should be changed independently by the children when they are ready for a new book. Reading is an essential skill that needs to be practised regularly.

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