

Dorado Spring Term Newsletter

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all!

We have a fun filled term ahead with lots of new learning to be had! Our topic this term is 'Pirates' and some of the subjects will link to this theme.

If you have any questions or concerns, please pop me a message in confidence on ClassDojo or speak to a member of the team on the gate. Many thanks for your continued support, Miss Mault.

PE

Our P.E. lessons will remain on Thursday (with Mrs Jones) and Friday (with Miss Mault).

We will be continuing to develop Fundamental Movement skills and Dance! Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in their P.E. kit on those days. This is plain black bottoms (shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms) plain white t-shirt or polo shirt and red hoodie, school cardigan or school jumper. Just a little FYI - We are noticing some children are struggling to put their own shoes back on if they are laced. We advise velcro trainers or PE pumps to support your child in developing their independence with this.



Phonics & English

In Phonics, we are now beginning Chapter 4b and continue to work hard in phonics. Please help your child embed their phonics by reading with your child at home every day. This is in preparation for their Phonics Screening test in Summer term 1 where children are expected to read 40 words correctly, 20 real words and 20 made up words containing all the GPC's they have learnt in phonics.

In English this term, the children will be writing their own narratives based on the books 'Pirates, The Band of Misfits' and 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. They will also be learning to write instructions and will be writing their own poems. We will continue to use our phonics knowledge to write sentences that have capital letters, finger spaces, punctuation and joining words with a big focus on neat handwriting and forming letters correctly (see letter formation rhymes to support with this at home).

Maths

This term we will be deepening our learning of Number & Place Value, Measurement (Mass), Counting & Money, Geometry 2D and 3D shapes, Multiplication and Division.



Other fun learning!

Science: Exploring everyday materials

History: Pirates

Geography: Continents & Oceans

Art: Painting and Mixed Media

DT: Wheels and Axels

ICT: Lego Builders, Coding - Maze Explorers, Animated Story Books

RE: Islam and Judaism **PSHE**

PSHE: This terms units are **Safety** (Adults in school, Adults outside of school, appropriate contact) **Lunar New Year** and

Citizenship

(Rules, Similar yet Different) and **Economic Wellbeing** (Money, Saving and Spending).



ClassDojo ClassDojo is the quickest way to get a message to me. I will always reply soon as I can. I will keep you posted with reminders and will often post pictures of positive and wonderful things your child is doing at school. Children are also awarded ClassDojo points for various things in class which they love!

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