# **Galaxy Class Newsletter**

#### Welcome back Galaxy Class!

Welcome back to the summer term! We hope you all had a great Easter break.

#### Reminders

Please make sure your child has the following in school every day:

- Reading book
- Water bottle
- Wellies and rain coat
- Change of clothes
- Sun hat if needed
- Sun cream applied before school if needed

#### **Class Dojo**

Please check Class Dojo regularly, this is how we contact parents and send messages regarding events.

## Summer

#### Homework

Please help your child with their learning by continuing to play the maths games they bring home, encouraging them to complete spelling games on Ed Shed and read 3 times a week.

#### **Continuous Provision**

As the children are now in the Upper Key Stage 2 class, continuous provision will still be present in the classroom, but on a reduced scale.

#### PE

PE days are on Wednesday and some children swim on Thursday. Some children may have PE on a different day and you will be told this on Class Dojo. Please ensure you child comes in their PE kit on those days.

### **Curriculum**

#### English

This term, we will be learning about Bandoola. We will be researching elephants and creating fact files about them. We will be learning a poem a week and completing a unit on poetry.

#### Maths

We will be learning:

- multiplication and division
- fractions
- rounding
- capacity, volume and mass
- 2d shapes
- addition and subtraction
- position and direction
- time

#### **History – Crime and Punishment**

In History, we will be learning about crime and punishment. We will explore how crime and punishment has changed over time. We will discover what crime and punishment was like in Roman Britain, Anglo-Saxon Britain and Tudor Times.

#### **Geography - Rivers**

We will be learning about rivers. We will explore the features of a river and how they flood. We will discover how waterfalls are formed and use Ordnance Survey maps to map rivers. We will hopefully go to see a local river.

#### Science

In science, we will be learning about the following:

Conservation – how ecosystems are affected by the seasons, deforestation, air pollution, water pollution, how to conserve water and how we can have a positive impact on nature.

Animals including humans – organs in the digestive system and their functions, teeth and their functions, food chains and food webs.

#### Art/DT

In art, we will be looking at craft and design – fabric of nature. We will use nature as a starting point for our designs. We will explore a range of techniques in making patterns.

In DT, we will be looking at mechanical systems and making a slingshot car. We will make a chassis, design and make a car body and test the finished product.

#### Computing

Presenting – we will use PowerPoint to learn how to add media, animation and timings to a presentation.

Graphing – we will use 2Graph to enter data into a graph and answer questions.

Coding – we will learn how to use flowcharts, timers, repeat function and how to debug a program.

#### RE

Islam – Why do Muslims fast during Ramadan?

Church – What does love your neighbour mean?

#### **Reading Lessons**

This term, we will continue with whole class reading lessons. The children will have text read to them/read it themselves and answer comprehension questions about the text. This will include stories, poems, nonfiction etc. to expose the children to a range of genres.

#### Music

Buildings – using the sights and sounds of a building site to provide inspiration for exploring and creating rhythms.

Food and drink – composing word rhythms, singing a round and creating musical recipes.

Time – developing the children's understanding of beat, metre and rhythm.

Sounds – exploring how instruments can be classified according to the sounds they produce.

#### PSHE

This term we will be learning about road safety and chores at home. We would like to try and go outside to practice some road safety skills, more information to follow in summer 2.

#### **Contact Us**

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to us at the end of the school day or send a message on Class Dojo.

Miss Lemon