

# **Autumn Term Newsletter**



### RE

We are following Come and See to deliver our RE curriculum.

We will be starting our half-term looking at Unconditional Love. We will be learning about God's love and how it impacts our lives. Before half term we will learn about Judaism.

# **Maths**

This term, we are focussing on the mathematical skills that we know underpin our understanding and enable us to freely focus on our Reasoning and Problem-Solving skills.

# We are exploring:

Fluency, Problem Solving and Reasoning with Place Value, the Four Operations and Fractions. All of this (particularly fractions) is underpinned by a good knowledge of the times tables.

Please ensure that your child logs on to Times Tables Rock Stars for 10 minutes every day as part of their homework.

Children who struggle to complete this at home can complete it in school at lunch time in homework club.

# **Osprey**

What a fantastic start to the year! The children have settled in well and are working hard to do their very best. I will regularly update the class story on Dojo with what we're getting up to... Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Mrs Butterworth

#### Science

This term in Science we are looking at 'Electricity' specifically: what electricity is, electrical safety, creating simple circuits, investigating life without electricity and learning about Joseph Swan. We will be exploring the 'Big Questions' and carrying out a range of investigations which the children will plan and participate in.

# History

We will be learning about the Anglo Saxons and Viking Britain. During this topic, we will be learning how the Vikings invaded, where they came from, what life was like in an Anglo Saxon settlements, the spread of Christianity and the significance of Lindisfarne.

# **PSHE & Wellbeing**

During the term we will be exploring British Values, online safety, money, mental health, manners and water safety. We will be using Ten:Ten Resources to support our RSE curriculum. This term, our focus will be:

- Emotional Wellbeing
- Puberty
- Religious Understanding
- Keeping Safe

We will be taking brain breaks when needed and having open discussions about worries or concerns as/when issues arise.

# <u>PE</u>

Our PE lessons will take place on a **Monday** and Thursday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in an outdoor PE kit. This should consist of: shorts/jogging bottom/Leggings (which should be plain/dark in colour), a white t shirt and suitable footwear.

## English

We will be reading Clockwork or All Wound Up by Phillip Pullman where we will focus on entertaining the reader with a range of exciting narratives which will create tension and intrigue.

During our VIPERS (Guided Reading) sessions, we will use short extracts from various texts which will give the children the opportunity to develop their retrieval and inference skills; particularly focussing on extended answers to inference questions with evidence to support their answers.

Our poetry focus is 'The Highway Man' a spooky and thought-provoking poem by Alfred Noyes. We will explore the moral themes of the poem together as well as the main characters who appear throughout.

Spellings- We are delivering our spelling curriculum weekly where the children will have time to learn new spelling rules and practise in class. Additionally, the children will be given spellings to learn for homework for a test each Monday.

Year 6 children will be given additional homework in the spring term.