



Class 7 Newsletter

Spring 2024

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Maths

Much of our number work this term will focus on place value, fractions, decimals, percentages, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division. We will also be looking at geometry, focusing specifically on position and direction.

In Class 7, we need to be working hard to learn our multiplication and division tables. This term we will be doing much more practice in class with weekly times table tests to monitor progress.

Times Table Rock Stars – TTRS

Across the weeks I've asked you to practice times tables, to help you why not use the Times table website [timestable.co.uk](https://www.timestable.co.uk) and [TT Rockstars](https://www.ttrockstars.com).



R.E

This term we will be focusing on the topics Community, Islam, Giving and Receiving and Self-Discipline. The children will be learning about different religions as well as focusing on topics which will help the Year 4s to prepare for their upcoming First Holy Communion.

RSE/PSHE

This term, we will explore a variety of different topics. These include sharing online information, first aid, advertising and mental health. The topics covered will consist of a range of both written work and discussion.

English

We will be studying the features of different genres and using them to develop our own writing skills. The genres are;

- Story
- Diary
- Letter

There will continue to be a strong emphasis on accuracy in punctuation and use of correct grammar in all written work. It is also important that handwriting is well-formed and accurate.

Spellings: Your child will be given weekly spellings which they can practise at home using the look, write check method. It is also useful to apply their spellings to sentences. Please encourage your children to learn their weekly spellings at home.

Reading – MyOn & Renaissance: Every child has a login for MyOn and Renaissance, where they have been allocated books that match their reading ability. Once they have completed a book, they can then complete the comprehension quiz and gain points! We use MyOn in addition to the reading books they are allocated in school.

MyOn: <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/index.html>

Renaissance: <https://ukhosted35.renlearn.co.uk/6709574/default.aspx>

History – Comparing Ancient Civilisations

In history, we will be comparing Ancient Civilisations looking at Ancient Egypt, Ancient Sumer, Indus Valley and Shang Dynasty. We will be looking at what all of the civilisations have in common.

The Learn It, Link It topic information sheet can be found in your child's homework book.

Science – Living things and their Habitats.

In this Science Topic we will be learning about the seven different life processes that living organisms go through. The children will also be learning how to group animals in different ways.

We will also be exploring how environments can change over time and how this affects the animals living there.

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Geography – Rivers

In geography, we will be looking at the different stages of the water cycle and how rivers are formed. We will also be exploring how waterfalls form over time and the different methods we can use to protect ourselves against flooding.

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Other Curriculum Areas

PE: For PE, we will be focusing on the areas of gymnastics and dance, looking at different movements.

Music: Our music lessons will allow us to explore music traditions from around the world.

Computing: We will use Purple Mash for Computing. We will be looking at spreadsheets and logos.

MFL: We will have weekly Spanish lessons where we will learn how to talk and write about family.

Art & DT: We will be looking at the work of William Morris, printing and collage and seaside collages. In DT the children will be planning and making their very own Greek salads.

Polite Reminders

Long hair should be tied back.

- Gel or other hair products are not permitted.
- Hair should not be dyed and extreme haircuts are not permitted.
- PE is on Mondays and Wednesdays and the children need to come into school in their outdoor kits on these days.
 - Earrings (this includes clear, plastic studs) and jewellery should not be worn in school – a watch may be worn.
 - Shoes should be sensible – black without detail or heels.

Class 7 need to wear their PE kit on Mondays and Wednesdays – this should be a plain navy-blue tracksuit/shorts with a plain white t-shirt. Girls' hair should be tied up with bobbles and hair bands of the school's colours.



If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office to arrange a telephone call.

Miss Brown & Mrs Roddy