



Autumn Newsletter

Welcome back

Welcome to a new school year, we have a lot planned for this term and the rest of the year! The children have had a fantastic start back to the new year, they have settled into routine well and are showing their enthusiasm to learn which is brilliant!

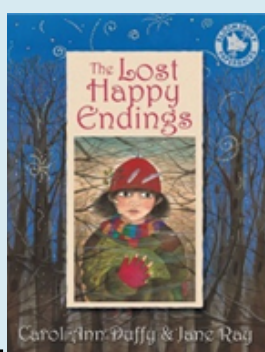
In English..

We will be kick starting our writing lessons with the story Queen of the Falls by Chris Van Allsburg

We will write a diary focusing on the following Year 5 objectives:

- Organising a paragraph around a theme
- Commas for clarity
- Fronted adverbials

We will then move onto writing a Tradition Tale based on The Lost Happy Ending.



Important Dates:

September 12 :

Greek Workshop
in school

September 18:

Parent Meeting
2.45pm

September 19:

School Photo Day

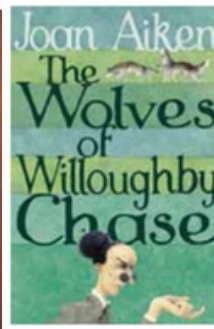
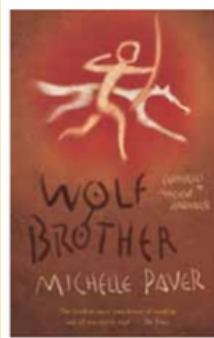
September 23:

Clubs and
Interventions start

October 25:

Parent Outcome
afternoon

Stories that we will be reading together in class..



In Maths..

We will be focusing on number. This includes looking at the place value within a 5 digit number and adding and subtracting numbers. When we have understood the place value, we will then move onto multiplying and dividing and looking at common multiplies, factors, prime numbers, square numbers and cube numbers. The children will use their place value knowledge and multiply and divide by 10,100 and 1000 including decimal numbers.

In History and Geography...

We will compare Ancient Greece and Modern Greece. During our Ancient Greece unit we will look at the rise of the Greek empire and know that it became part of the Roman Empire. We will look at the city states and how they ruled and understand the legacy of the Olympic games. During our Modern Greece unit, we will explore why someone would want to live in Greece by looking at the physical and human features. We will then compare Athens to Stoke-On-Trent.

In Science..

We will be learning about properties and changes of materials. This is a practical unit, which will involve lots of experiments. We will compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency. We will explore the materials that will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution.

In PE..

We will either swimming or playing hockey.

PE will be on a Monday.

Children should come to school wearing their purple t-shirts, appropriate trainers. When swimming, the children will need to bring a costume/swimming trunks, towel and a swimming cap for long hair.

In Art..

We will be drawing in a 3D perspective based on the art work of Paul Kenton - a UK contemporary artist. We will look at cityscapes and use a horizontal line and vanishing point to make our work 3D.

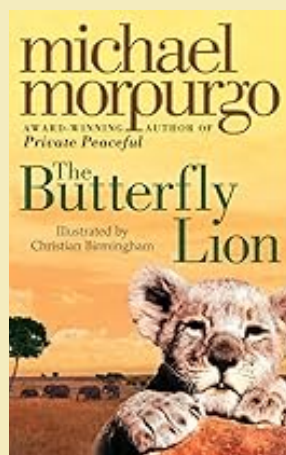
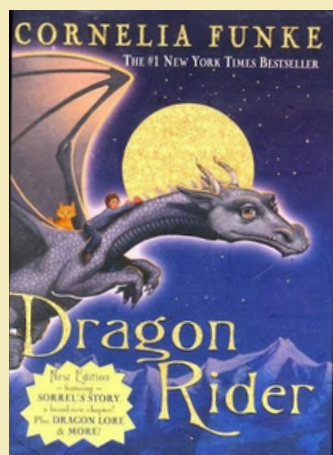
In DT ...

We will be making a Greek dish - Moussaka. The children will start by practising their measuring and cutting skills. They will then design, make and evaluate their own version of a moussaka and choose their own vegetables.

In Computing..

We will cover the following units: Online Safety, Concept Maps, Coding and Spreadsheets. We will use a programme called Purple Mash.

Recommended Reads...



There are more recommended reads and tips on how to help your child read in the Parent Advice Booklets: Helping your child read at home.