



LKS2 Parent Newsletter



KEY LEARNING THIS HALF TERM	OUR READING TEXTS	WRITING	MATHS
<p>In Geography this half term our unit is Power of Earth. The children will be learning about the structure of the Earth, volcanoes and earthquakes. We will look at how volcanoes are formed and the impact they have on those who live near them. We will also learn about tectonic plates and how they cause earthquakes.</p> <p>In science, we are learning about the three states of matter: solids, liquids and gasses. The children will be learning about how temperature can cause a change in the state of matter.</p> <p>In art, the children will be learning about Barbara Hepworth. They will be looking at her work and using clay to create their own sculptures inspired by her.</p>	 <p>In guided reading this half term, each class is reading a different text. They will be learning to read fluently and with expression. They will focus on answering different style retrieval questions and using what they have read to make inferences about characters feelings.</p>	<p>We will begin the year by reviewing the different word classes and sentence types. Children will be using this knowledge to write their own riddles, poems and auto-biographies. Year 3 will be taught to use a variety of adverbs and conjunctions. Year 4 will learn how to correctly punctuate using commas for fronted adverbs and subordinate clauses.</p>	<p>Our first unit in maths is Place Value. Year 3 will learn the value of digits within numbers up to 1000. We will use our knowledge of place value to order, compare and partition numbers to 1000.</p> <p>Year 4 will learn the value of digits within numbers up to 10,000. They will use their knowledge of place value to order, compare and partition numbers to 10,000.</p> <p>We follow the White Rose maths curriculum.</p> <p>https://whiteroseeducation.com/</p>
<p>WAYS YOU CAN HELP AT HOME</p> <p>One of the best ways to support your child at home is to listen to your child read daily and record this in their reading records. Discuss the characters and main events in the story to check their understanding of what they have read. Discuss the vocabulary and make predictions about what might happen next.</p> <p>Encourage your child to use TT Rockstars to practise their times tables.</p> <p>Help your child to learn their weekly spelling and to complete their homework. These will be given out every Friday. Homework will be due the following Friday. Children will also be given a school reading book each Friday. These must be returned to school once read so children can get a new book.</p>	<p>MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING</p> <p>Returning to school after the summer break can be difficult and overwhelming for everyone involved. A good, safe sleep routine is helpful and contributes to good mental health for everyone.</p> <p>For more information on bedtimes and sleeping:</p> <p>https://www.betterhealthatworkaward.org.uk/The%20Good%20Night%20Guide%20for%20Children.pdf</p> <p>If you are struggling with any aspect of school or would like any help, advice or just a chat please speak to your child's teacher, Miss Bartle (Assistant Headteacher) or Mrs Stringwell (Learning Mentor). We are all more than happy to help.</p>	<p>EVENTS IN SCHOOL/KEY DATES</p> <p>All parents and carers are welcome to celebrate our learning, in and out of school, at our Friday assembly. Please enter through the main entrance after drop off where we will be pleased to welcome you into school, with refreshments. Miss Bartle and Mrs Stringwell are both around at this time.</p>	

