

Term 1 Class Newsletter 2024

Miss Thomas' and Mrs Woodward's Class News for the Term Ahead



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Welcome to Year 4

Welcome to Year 4. This year Miss Thomas on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Woodward on Thursday and Friday will be your class teacher, with Mrs Ward, Mrs Swanson and Mrs Player as the year group classroom assistants. We are all looking forward to welcoming you all back in September for another busy term.

When the children have PE, they should continue to wear their Bitham Brook PE kit into school with the school jumper over the top (if weather conditions require a jumper). Please note the Bitham Brook PE kit is a plain white t-shirt and black shorts/leggings/tracksuit with trainers. Other sports clothing is not acceptable as it is important that, as a school, we have pride in our appearance. It is important that children do not attend school in casual clothing as we want to maintain the children's sense of education being important; pride in their appearance; and belonging to Bitham Brook.

Learning this Term

Maths

In maths, we will begin the term looking at some of the gaps from last year before moving on to place value and then addition and subtraction.

Writing

Our writing will be linked to our class book, 'Operation Gadgetman!' by Malorie Blackman. We will be writing instructions linked to solving a crime before ending the term by writing an adventure story.

Reading

During reading, we will be working our way through our class book, 'Operation Gadgetman!' by Malorie Blackman. The children will be interrogating the text using a variety of skills. The children will be able to continue with their own reading and testing their understanding using Accelerated reader.

PSHE

Our PSHE this term is 'Being me in my world'. Throughout this unit, we will be learning about being part of a group and how to take care of each other

Religious Education

The children will investigate 'What do we mean by truth?' We will consciously develop our critical thinking skills, learning how Philosophers think about the concept of truth and what it means to different people.

Science

In science, we will be looking at animals including humans. We will learn about our teeth and digestion as well as look in detail at animal food chains.

Art and Design

In Art and Design this term, our topic will be drawing. We will be learning about still life and developing sketching skills.

Geography

In Geography this term, the children will be learning about South America and in particular Brazil and the people who live there.

Computing

In computers, we will be looking online safety using Purple Mash. We will learn about phishing, malware and plagiarism.

Physical Education

In PE, we will be doing dance, netball and swimming.

Music

In music, we will be looking at classical music and Beethoven Symphony No. 5.

French

In French we will be learning about the classroom and the home.

Homework

Spellings will be handed out every week. These will be worked on in class before being tested at the end of the week.

Continue to read at home and complete AR checks.

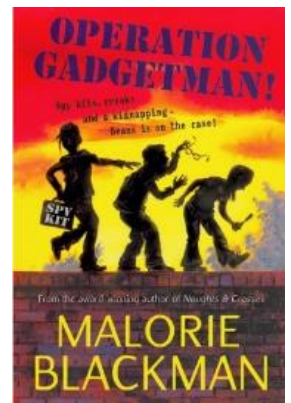
Continue practicing for times table challenges on Times Table Rock Stars.

PE

Tuesday - Dance

Tuesday – Netball

Friday - Swimming



MESSAGES: PLEASE CAN CHILDREN COME IN WITH A WATER BOTTLE EVERY DAY