

Term 4 Class Newsletter 2023

Miss Gascoigne's Class News for the Term Ahead



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Welcome back Year 5

I hope you have all had a great break. Please can you make sure that your child has a coat especially on those colder morning. Could you also make sure that your child has their name on everything so that they are easy to find.

PE has been moved to Monday and Wednesday afternoon's this term. Monday will be gymnastics and Wednesday will be football. 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 be continuing to work on fractions: converting, ordering as well as adding and subtracting fractions. In addition to this we will also be looking at decimals and percentages.

Writing

Our class book, 'The Diamond of Drury Lane' by Julia Golding will be supporting our writing. We will start the term writing a newspaper report based around the mystery of the missing diamond. We will then write a historical narrative using descriptive devices to enhance their writing.

Reading

During reading we will be working our way through our class book 'The Diamond of Drury Lane' by Julia Golding where we will interrogate the text using the skills of inference and prediction as well as developing our vocabulary skills. The children will be able to continue with their own reading and testing their understanding using Accelerated Reader.

PSHE

Our PSHE topic this term is called 'Healthy Me'. In this unit, children will learn about making healthy choices in our diet and being physically active as well as how to be a good friend.

Science

In Science, we will be looking at Living Things and their habitats. We will be learning about the lifecycles of mammals, birds, insects and amphibians as well as describing the process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

DT

In DT this term, we will be investigating how to keep ourselves safe on the road. We will design and make a road safety belt.

History

We will be focusing on the Roman empire in History and then moving on to the Anglo-Saxon period.

Computing

In Computing, we will be using the design and make tool to plan and design items for a purpose.

Physical Education

In PE, we will be focussing on the sport of football. The children will build on their football skills learnt in term 2, applying techniques to help defend the ball while passing it up the pitch as well as learning how to play as a member of a team. The children will also participate in dance sessions.

Music

We will be using the glockenspiel to compose piece using graphic notation.

RE

We will be learning about the Hindu faith, looking at their beliefs and moral values.

Homework

Spellings. Handed out on the first Monday of term. We will not be testing weekly but instead every 4 weeks. Spellings can also be found on the school website.

Continue to read at home.

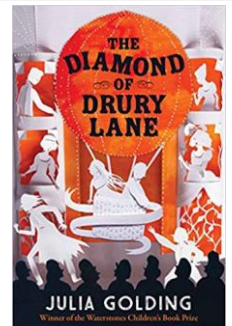
Continue practicing for times table challenges on Times Table Rock Stars.

PE

Tuesday - Dance

Monday- Gymnastics

Wednesday – Football



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