

<u>Year 4 Newsletter - Second Half Summer Term</u> 2017



Information Leaflet for Parents Second Half Summer Term 2017

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The purpose of this leaflet is to give an overview of the second half of the Summer term. If you have any immediate concerns or questions, teachers are usually available after school. Longer appointments, about your child, can be made via the school office.



Mathematics:

In the first half of the Summer Term we have been learning: written and mental methods for the four operations, Roman numerals, area and perimeter. We have also been working on developing children's knowledge of the times tables and other mental strategies.

This half term we are learning about

- Properties of shape
- Statistics
- Telling the time
- Consolidating written methods for + x ÷



English:

Last half term we had great fun writing and discussing our Roman 'Warning stories'. Our topic this half term is Habitats. We will start with a unit of poetry writing using Habitats as the theme. We are also continuing work on 'stand alone' aspects of English grammar and punctuation. Spelling continues to be taught weekly; it will focus on spelling rules and developing spelling strategies. The children also have the opportunity to review the corrections made to their work and practise these 'personal' spellings. The children will continue to develop their reading strategies and comprehension in Guided Reading. They will group read with the teacher and read with other adults when available every week.



Other Curriculum Areas:

Our topic this half term is Habitats

In Science we will be continuing learning about the human body and then our main focus is Habitats. We will be learning what a habitat is; how animals are suited to their particular habitats; how to identify and classify different animals and understand what organisms are.

In RE the children will be learning about how the actions of the church affect our community.

In Music Swordfish are going to be using the Charanga music toolkit to continue evaluating and performing songs such whilst Orcas continue to work with a specialist music teacher using African drums.



In art we will be incorporating the The National galleries 'Take one Picture' initiative looking at 'Penelope and her suitors'. We will also be exploring the use of colour by artists such as Hunter Vassar.

In PE the children will be practising skills for athletics. Our P.E. slots are Wednesday and Thursdays. A full PE kit, including suitable footwear, should be kept in school all week. Please note tights are not suitable for P.E so socks may be necessary and earrings must either be removed or covered with tape (to be provided from home). PLEASE ensure that your child has a full P.E kit in school at all times.



Home Learning: Maths will continue to be set weekly via the Abacus Maths website. The expected time for home learning is 30 minutes per piece. Please, if you are able, have a look at extra activities that have been set using 'My Maths'.

<u>Dates</u>:

05th June: Take one picture week

06th June : Class photo's 10th June : Garden and Arts

23rd June : New parents open afternoon 29th June : St Peters day Church service

07th July: School reports out

08th July : Summer fete 10th July : Reports drop in

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Stenning and Mrs Jones and the Year 4 team.