

The LKS2 Team This Year Are...

Class Teachers:
Mrs Barnes
Mr Berry
Miss Horner
Mrs Madden

Class Assistants:
Mrs Barnard
Mrs Benham

Key Dates To Remember This Term

Tuesday 8th June	**Term 6 Starts**
Tuesday 6th July	**Class Swap Day**
Friday 9th July	**INSET Day**
Wednesday 21st July at 2.00pm	**Last Day of Term**

LKS2 Newsletter Summer Term 2 2021

Here Comes The Summer!

What a fabulous term we have had back at school. The children have really enjoyed the topic, *Pharaohs*, and produced some amazing writing using their research skills to produce a non-chronological report and their imaginations to write an adventure story. Egyptian Day was a wonderful way to finish off the term, with a great workshop and lots of art activities to partake in. We were so impressed with the fantastic outfits. Well done to all!!

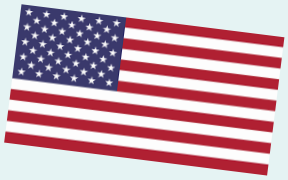
A big well done to our Stars of the Week who continue to shine each week. Congratulations to all of the children who have now received their Silver and Gold certificates. There has been a Platinum Certificate already awarded and there are a few pupils who are on track to get theirs before the end of term! Remember to keep earning those house points through the Home Learning Grid as well. Well done also to the children who are continuing to progress through the 99 Club.

A huge congratulation to our very well deserved half-termly achievers:

- Dahl - Charlotte H
- Swindells - Darcy R
- Stevenson - Nathaniel D

Our topic for this term is ***Road Trip USA:***

'Buckle up, sunglasses on. We're going on a road trip across the good old US of A. Flying from London Gatwick, and landing at JFK airport New York, it's time to explore the sights and sounds of the Big Apple. Use your map skills to navigate your way around some of its most famous landmarks. Meet the Iroquois tribe; Native Americans with amazing customs and traditions. Then plan a bespoke road trip for Mr Smith and his family of four. They want to spend three weeks in the sunshine. It's going to be a long ride. Put the roof down and let the wind blow through your hair. We're off.'



Notices

Please check the website for updates!

Reading

Please remember to sign your child's reading record when they have read at home each day. We expect **all** children to read at least 5 times a week and record this in their reading records with a suitable comment. These should come in daily to allow teachers to communicate with you. **Please do not bring in reading books from home.** We will provide books for your child to read in school. Please see the appropriate recommended reading list for suggested texts.

Homework

In Year 3 & Year 4, the children will receive Maths and English / Topic homework every week. This will all be online, either through Mathletics or through Seesaw.
Homework will be set on a Friday and is to be completed by the following Wednesday please.

Please submit all homework using Seesaw and do not bring it into school.

Spellings

Spellings and spelling patterns will be taught in school. We will not be sending spellings home. If you wish to practice spellings with your child please refer to the Y3/4 common exception words which can be found in your child's reading record.

Times Tables

We will continue to do weekly 99 clubs in class. Remember to login to TTRockStars to practice your times tables!!

PE

Please ensure PE kits are worn to school on your child's PE days. Spare trainers can be kept in their lockers for break and lunchtimes. These will be particularly useful as we are now able to use the field at break and lunch.

PE days for Years 3 & 4:
Dahl
Monday & Wednesday
Swindells
Tuesday & Wednesday
Stevenson
Wednesday & Friday

Here is an overview of what our classes will cover in the different areas of the curriculum this term.

Mathematics:

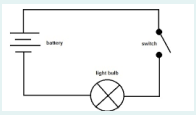


Maths will continue to be taught in year groups. 99 Club will take place on a Friday.

Year 3 will continue to develop their understanding of time. Please do keep practicing at home as this really makes a difference to your child's confidence in their lessons. Asking children the time, to the nearest minute in the 12 and 24 hour clock, would be a wonderful help. Our penultimate topic this year is geometry, we will be investigating shapes and we will conclude the year with measurement: mass and capacity.

Year 4 will be continuing with the topic of money. We will then move onto learning about time, statistics and geometry, which will look at properties of shape and position and direction. Please make sure that you are practicing your times tables, using TT Rockstars!

Science:



This term in Science we will be focusing on electricity. We will be looking at series circuits and how they are constructed. The children will then design their own circuits with cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. We will also be finding out about common conductors and insulators.

RE:

This term we will be looking at prayer. We will explore the reasons why believers pray and what they believe the results are. We will be considering how people pray, if religious people lead better lives and if it is possible to hold religious beliefs without trying to make the world a better place.

Music:

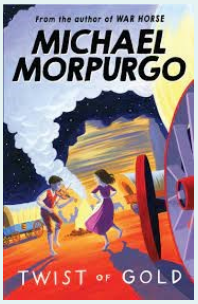
This term we will be looking at Music that has originated in America, particularly blues and jazz. We will be learning how to play 12 bar blues on the glockenspiels. This will be taught by Mrs. Madden.

Spanish:



This term the children will be learning and recapping family members. The children will be taught through interactive speaking and listening games with some written work. This will be taught be Miss. Horner.

English: This term's literacy will be based around the text 'Twist of Gold' by Michael Morpurgo. We will be looking at persuasive texts, diary entries and adventure stories. We will be focusing on implementing adverbials and fronted adverbials in our writing in particular, to make it interesting.



The children will revisit learnt skills and continue to develop their reading comprehension, spelling, grammar and punctuation

Art and DT:



In our topic lessons we will be looking at Native American dream catchers, weaving and Journey sticks. We will also be investigating some American dishes and Totem pole designs.

PE:

This term the children will take part in four different sporting activities: Basketball skills and game play, Gymnastics using the apparatus, Rounders skills and game play, and Sports Day practice.

History/Geography:

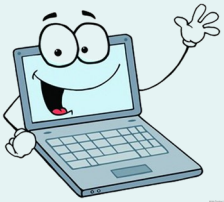


We will be finding out about the history of Native Americans, their culture and traditions. We will be looking at human and physical geography using world and US maps, exploring some of the famous physical features.

PSHE:

This terms PSHE is based around two topics. We will be having our yearly SRE discussions with both year groups (more information will follow), and we will also be looking at transitions and celebrating Healthy Week.

Computing:



This term, in Computing, we will be using the computers to design and plan a journey across Route 66, looking at map reading skills and technology to help us discover places that we would like to visit. We will then create our own guide book to help us on our journey. This will be taught be Mr. Berry.