



Autumn 1 newsletter 2023

Hi everyone and I hope you had a wonderful summer (even without much sun!) It's so lovely to see everyone again and have some new faces joining us. Here are a few key bits that you may find useful!

- ❖ Swimming starts on Monday 18th September 2023-all children are expected to attend.
- ❖ PE is on Monday mornings, until swimming starts, and also Wednesday afternoons.
- ❖ Both homeworks are given out on Monday morning.
- ❖ Maths homework is due in on Thursday morning.
- ❖ Spellings homework is due back the following Monday morning.
- ❖ Homework help club is Monday playtime, however I am available Monday-Thursday to help.
- ❖ Dojo's are awarded everyday

What we are learning this term

In maths both year groups will be starting on place value then moving onto the four operations. We are still using Powermaths. The children are also doing maths fluency work. This enables them to work independently on the topic being studied.

Our first genre in English is wishing tales and we are looking at the traditional tale of Cinderella, written by the Brothers Grimm Our non-fiction genre will be information texts. Our class book is War Horse, by Michael Morpurgo. This is to support our history topic on Britain at War.

In history we have a really interesting history topic of the Second World War, its causes and effects. The children have already shown a great interest in this. If anyone has any medals or artifacts from the war for showing in the lesson, then I would really appreciate that. Science will be covering the circulatory system and learning how this keeps us alive. We will be doing investigative into the workings of the heart.

Pe is swimming and football, and PE is on a Monday and Wednesday.

Art is distortion and distraction, which sounds a lot of fun, and design and technology is make do and mend.

In French, we are doing a re-cap of what's already been learnt and learning about the culture of France (including the food) and lots of practicing our fluency.

Our R.E. work is about what life is like for a Muslim in Britain today. The children are re-visiting this topic from last year and are strengthening their knowledge.

Music this term will be film music, enabling the children to widen their diverse knowledge.

Relationships, sexual education topic is all about difference and diversity. This gives the children lots of opportunities to discover how people and cultures can be different.

As always, please feel free to contact me: jredfearn@st-georgescofe.derbyshire.sch.uk or catch me at the school gate.

Mrs. Calvert will be covering the class on Wednesday afternoon and will teach computing.

Mrs Gourn will be teaching the children on a Friday.

Once again, thank you for your wonderful support, and the children have had an excellent start!

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