



NEWSLETTER

LOWER KEY STAGE TWO (YEARS 3 AND 4) NEWSLETTER AUTUMN TERM 2022'2023

Welcome back. We hope you have had a nice break.

UNIFORM

Thank you to parents/carers for the effort you put into ensuring your child adheres to our uniform requirements. May we just remind you that only small stud earrings are permitted for health and safety reasons. Additionally, P.E. lessons require the removal of all earrings. Similarly, hair which is of a length that can be tied back, should be. Loom bands and charity bands do not form part of our uniform so should not be worn.

CURRICULUM COVERAGE YEARS 3 AND 4

The children in Years 3 and 4 will follow the National Curriculum for English and mathematics and they will be learning the following aspects:

Week Commencing	English	Mathematics
5 th September	Friendship Week Activities and Baseline Assessments	Friendship Week Activities and Baseline Assessments
12 th September	Sentence Stacking Grammar: Proper and common/ concrete nouns	Number and Place Value / Roman Numerals
19 th September	Sentence Stacking Grammar: Abstract and collective nouns	Number and Place Value / Roman Numerals
26 th September	Sentence Stacking Grammar: Identifying verbs as a state of being, occurrence or action	Addition and Subtraction
3 rd October	Sentence Stacking Grammar: Verbs – past, present and future tenses	Addition and Subtraction
10 th October	Narrative Grammar: Adjectives	Statistics
17 th October	Theme Week	
24 th October	Half-Term	
31 st October	Poetry Grammar: Adverbs – time and manner	Multiplication and Division
7 th November	Poetry (Remembrance Day) Grammar: Adverbs – place and frequency	Multiplication and Division
14 th November	Parliament Week (Explanation Texts) / Grammar: Identifying four types of word classes in sentences (nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs)	Fractions
21 st November	Parliament Week (Explanation Texts) / Grammar: Prepositions	Fractions
28 th November	Newspaper Reports Grammar: Common Prefixes	Measurement focusing on Time
5 th December	Newspaper Reports Grammar: Use of simple connectives and pronouns for cohesion	Measurement
12 th December	Newspaper Reports and Assessment Grammar: Subordinating conjunctions	Mathematical investigations Coordinates, position and translation

In English, the children will be using Aaron Becker's 'The Journey' as a stimulus to explore narrative writing within our sentence stacking lessons. These areas of learning will be delivered at a level suitable to the individual.

In science, the children will be learning about lights and electricity. In history, they will learn about the Romans, including their legacy and impact on life today. The art unit focuses on collage and mosaics. In geography, the pupils will be learning about national parks in the UK. R.E. lessons will teach children about Mohammed, Islamic ways of life and the Qur'an. In design and technology, the children will be creating a healthy snack. P.E. this term includes athletics, gymnastics, fundamental movement skills, outdoor and adventurous activities (OAA) and leadership. Relationships are addressed through P.S.H.E. In computing sessions, the pupils will learn about E-Safety, understanding the impact the internet has on everybody and how to write algorithms.

Music involves visits from our toots expert tutor. The children will be developing their knowledge of toots and how they can use them to play, compose and personalise their music.

HOMEWORK

In KS2, homework will be set weekly on Thursdays to be returned the following Tuesday. The tasks will alternate between English and maths activities. Additionally, pupils will be expected to practise multiplication tables in preparation for weekly tests and revise number bonds to 20, 50 and 100. **Not forgetting the expectation that your child reads to an adult at least four times a week.**

EDUCATIONAL VISITS

The children will be visiting Colchester Castle this term. They will be taking part in different activities based on Romans in Britain. The Year 3/4 trip will take place on Friday 7th October 2022. More details about this trip will follow shortly.



CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS

It's that time of year again – well, almost! Year 3 and 4 will hold their Christmas Concert at St Peter's Church on Friday 9th December at 2pm. Further details about tickets will follow in due course.

LABELLING PERSONAL PROPERTY

Please ensure that **all personal property is clearly labelled** with your child's name. This includes all uniform, PE kits, lunchboxes, water bottles and pots for snacks. As the children move around the school during the day, if their property is labelled, any lost or mislaid items can be returned. Thank you.

PRESENTATION AND HANDWRITING

This term there will be a focus on the presentation of work and quality of handwriting across the curriculum. This includes; English, maths, science and all foundation subjects.

P.E. SESSIONS

Mr Newton's class have P.E. sessions on Tuesday and Friday
Mrs Parrag's class have P.E. sessions on Tuesday and Friday
Mr Chaplin's class have P.E. sessions on Tuesday and Thursday

CLASS ASSEMBLIES THIS TERM

Mr Chaplin's class assembly will be the Harvest Assembly. This will be held on Thursday 13th October.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Chaplin, Mrs Parrag and Mr Newton