



NEWSLETTER

LOWER KEY STAGE TWO (YEARS 3 AND 4) NEWSLETTER AUTUMN TERM 2024'25

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, using small hair accessories.

We have limited space for storing backpacks, therefore, please ensure your child brings all of their belongings in their book bag. On book bags, we request that there is a maximum of one small keyring as children are unable to close their drawers and this becomes a health and safety risk.

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
2 nd September	Friendship Week Activities and Baseline Assessments	Friendship Week Activities and Baseline Assessments
9 th September	Sentence Stacking: The Quest Grammar: Proper and common nouns	Number and Place Value
16 th September	Sentence Stacking: The Quest Grammar: Abstract and collective nouns	Number and Place Value
23 rd September	Sentence Stacking: The Quest Grammar: Identifying verbs as a state of being, occurrence or action	Addition and Subtraction
30 th September	Sentence Stacking: The Quest Grammar: Verbs - past, present or future tense	Addition and Subtraction
7 th October	Narrative - Space Related Grammar: Adjectives	Multiplication and Division
14 th October	Assessment	Multiplication and Division
21 st October	Theme week	Theme week
28 th October	Half-Term	
4 th November	Poetry Grammar: Adverbs	Fractions
11 th November	Poetry Grammar: Adjectives	Fractions
18 th November	Explanation Texts Grammar: Identifying four main word classes	Measurement
25 th November	Explanation Texts Grammar: Prepositions	Measurement
2 nd December	Newspaper Reports Grammar: Pronouns	Geometry
9 th December	Newspaper Reports Grammar: Assessment	Statistics
16 th December	Newspaper Reports Grammar: Speech	Co-ordinates, 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 where religious beliefs come from and what is meant by truth. 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 dance. Relationships are addressed through P.S.H.E. In computing sessions, the pupils will learn about E-Safety and programming.

Music involves visits from expert tutor where the children will learn how to play a musical instrument. The children will be developing their knowledge and learn how 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. **Please also ensure 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 18th October 2024**. 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 6th 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

Miss Leckerman's class have P.E. sessions on Tuesday and Thursday
Mrs Herbert and Mrs Malyan's class have P.E. sessions on Tuesday and Friday
Mr Chaplin's class have P.E. sessions on Tuesday and Friday

CLASS ASSEMBLIES THIS TERM

Mr Chaplin's class assembly will be on Thursday 26th September 2024
Mrs Herbert and Mrs Malyan's class assembly will be on Friday 11th October 2024
Miss Leckerman's class assembly will be held on Friday 25th October.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Chaplin, Miss Leckerman, Mrs Herbert and Mrs Malyan