



Headteacher: Mr Askew

Friday 10th January 2025

Year 3/4 Spring Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! A big thank you for all the generous gifts we received before the holidays - they were very much appreciated. We have lots to look forward to this term including our Y3/4 production – ‘Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies.’ We will start organising this near the end of this half-term.

Curriculum:

This term, our focus is on Geography; our theme is ‘River Deep, Mountain High’. In English, we are looking at stories from other cultures (Zahra), then we look at an explanation text (Invention). After, we move onto a Narrative text (Iron Man) and finally some performance poetry from Roger McGough.

In Maths, we will be consolidating multiplication and division, moving onto area and perimeter and then fractions, so keep practising those times tables!

Reading Records:

Please continue to record the reading your child does at home in their Reading Records. We suggest 15 minutes, 5 times a week to maintain progress through their books. We’ll be checking the Reading Records weekly and awarding Housepoints for children that complete this task.

Many children choose to read their own book from home or from our school library, which is fine. However, we are still encouraging children to pick an AR book (following the Accelerator Reader levels), so that they can progress when taking an AR quiz as often as possible. The children know what level AR book they should be on and it is their responsibility to change their books. You can look up any books they are reading at home via this website:

<https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/default.aspx>

Homework:

As in the previous term, homework will be sent out on Thursdays and expected in on the following Tuesdays. Please get into good routines with homework and encourage your child to hand it in on or before Tuesday. We were aware that some found the spelling activities quite challenging, so we have decided to post the answers on Google Classroom.

Times Tables:

There will be a times table set for the children to practise. TTRS offers many fun activities to help children learn their times tables and challenge others. The Soundcheck activity is a replica of the Government’s Multiplication Tables Check that Year 4s will be undertaking in the Summer term. To practise other Maths skills we still encourage children to complete NumBots which can be accessed via their TTRS login.





PE days are Mondays (outdoors) and Thursdays (indoors).

Please ensure that your child has a **named PE kit**, which should consist of a plain, white T-shirt, and navy or black shorts and trainers. They can also bring **plain jogging trousers** and **sweatshirt or hooded top**, as it is colder outside. This should be kept in a **named, drawstring bag please**. Please ensure that your child does not wear jewellery on P.E. days otherwise they may have to sit out. If for any reason your child is unable to take part in PE lessons, we require a note of explanation or inform your child's class teacher at drop-off time.

Other things to remember:



Google Classroom

Homework is posted on Google Classroom as well as reminders. Any important information will be sent out via email. Feel free to share photos and videos of any achievements or memorable moments on the Stream.

Class information:

Elm Class:

Teacher: Mr Goddard

Cover Teachers: Monday morning: Mr Green & Mrs Dilley and Friday (lesson 2) Mr Green.

Teaching assistant: Mr Ka

Birch Class:

Teacher: Mr Legge & Mrs Childs

Cover Teachers: Monday morning: Mr Green & Mrs Dilley.

Teaching assistant: Dr Sosnowiec

We hope that your child has a fantastic Spring term! We very much look forward to working and learning together.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Legge, Mr Goddard & Mrs Childs

Dates For Your Diary

February

- W/B 3rd – Children's Mental Health Week
- Friday 7th - NSPCC Number Day
- Tuesday 11th – Safer Internet Day (Too Good to be True: Protecting Yourself and Others from Scams Online)
- **Friday 14th – INSET Day**
- **Monday 17th – Friday 21st Half Term**
- Friday 28th - Year 4 Bikeability

March

- Thursday 6th – World Book Day
- **Tuesday 18th & Thursday 20th – Parents Consultations**
- Thursday 27th - Class photos

April

- Tuesday 1st – Y3/4 Production (performance 1; 14:00)
- Wednesday 2nd – Y3/4 Production (performance 2; 14:00)
- Thursday 3rd – Y3/4 Production (performance 3; 14:00)
- **Friday 4th – Last Day of Spring term.**