



Year 5



Summer Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're really looking forward to the term ahead and are excited to share what we have planned. As always, if you have any questions or would like to chat about anything, please feel free to get in touch.

English

This term, we will start with our class text 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell Boyce. We will then move on to our poetry focus. Our writing focuses this term will include descriptive writing, persuasive pieces, letters and diary entries. In addition to this, we will be focussing on writing instructions, explanations and newspaper reports.

Maths

We will begin the term with perimeter and area. We will then move onto shape, including measuring and calculating angles. Following this, we will then be using all four operations to solve calculations with decimal numbers. Later on in the term, we will be learning about negative numbers and converting units of measurement.

Reading

We have different reading sessions in class, where we focus on different reading skills such as vocabulary, retrieval and inference, often linked to our class texts.

As well as this, we recommend that children read for a minimum of 20 minutes daily at home.

Children are also encouraged to take a book home from school to read.

Topic

Our topic for this term is 'Significant Lives, Significant Times.' Although this is predominantly a history-based topic, we will be taking it across the curriculum. We will be focusing on a few significant figures from history, which will include Harriet Tubman, Henry VIII, Matthew Henson and Anne Frank. We will also learn about space exploration including Buzz Aldrin, Neil Armstrong and Mae Jemison.

Science

We have two science units this term. We will first learn about the human life cycle and the changes that take place. We will then learn about space, including the movement of the sun and moon and using the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night.

PE

This term we will be starting our swimming sessions: Joanne's class will be going Monday mornings and Stephanie's class will be on Thursdays. Both classes will continue to have PE on Fridays but will no longer have P.E. on a Monday.

Homework

Children will continue to receive homework which will be set on Google classroom each week. Please ensure that your child has their log in details.

If you need to contact us regarding your child's education or wellbeing, please email us at smoore@wtwschool.co.uk, jhay@wtwschool.co.uk or sbutcher@wtwschool.co.uk.

Any urgent messages that need to be dealt with on the same day, must be telephoned through to the school office as we may not access our emails during the school day.

Joanne, Stephanie and Sue