



KS2 SPRING NEWSLETTER

Learning & Growing Together in Faith, Hope and Love

Things you should bring to school every day.

A **named** school jumper.

An **empty** water bottle (empty so it doesn't leak on books in bags).

Your school bag/reading folder.

Your school reading diary and reading book.

Any **medication** will need to be given to the office. If your child has an **emergency inhaler** you will need to get an extra one for school and hand it into the office.

Things that should not be brought from home:

Toys, pencil cases, stationary, footballs, trading cards.

Happy New Year!

Your child is in **Yellow Class**, (mixed Year 3 and 4).

Timetable changes in the new year; Miss Cobb is the class teacher and teaches the class all day EXCEPT on a Tuesday afternoon when Mr Armstrong is teaching the class and Mrs Tyson is now teaching the class all day on a Wednesday.

PE LESSONS

A quick reminder that PE lessons are every week on **TUESDAY** and **FRIDAY**. Children should come into school wearing their PE kits and these need to be warm kits in the cold weather as they will be wearing them outside at lunchtimes and breaktimes even if they are doing PE indoors.

Can I please remind everyone that this is PE UNIFORM and children should be wearing the kit as seen on the school website. Jewellery should not be worn especially for P.E. lessons.

This term we are having **dance** lessons on Fridays instead of rugby.

Studio 29 Dance teachers will be leading the lessons on Fridays each week and helping children us to create a dance for our performance.

SPLASH AND CRASH!

Our topic for the Spring Term has a geography focus. We will be learning all about water and electricity.

Our geography lessons will be about oceans and rivers, the water cycle, land formations and how water is used for power.

In science we will be learning more about the water cycle and then move on to electricity and making circuits.

Our key texts in English will be *The Rhythm of the Water* by Grahame Baker-Smith, *The Dam* by David Almond, *The Secret of Black Rock* by Joe Todd-Stanton and finally *Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame.

In maths we are continuing our block of learning on multiplication and division before moving on to length, perimeter and fractions.

Religious Education will focus around the concept of PRAYER—The Lords Prayer and the Second Pillar of Islam. Our Christian value of the term is HONESTY.

Knowledge Organisers for these key drivers will be sent home.



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IMPORTANT DATES

JANUARY

January is 'joined-up' January. We are having a focus on joined up handwriting (please see attached school model).

TUESDAY 16TH

KS2 ROCK STAR DAY!

Dress up as your favourite rock star or in your rock/pop clothes.

Times Tables Parent Workshop (drop-in)

3:30pm–4:30pm in Green Class (see letter).

February

Yellow Class visit TBC—We are working very hard to secure a topic based field-trip or learning enhancement that is cost effective. As soon as we have more information we will let you know.

Thursday 8th Feb—Toots Class Performance to parents—time TBC

HALF TERM

HOLIDAY is 1 week

12th–16th Feb

Tue 7th March—

World Book Day

Friday 15th March—

Red Nose Day

Watch this space for information about our Yellow and Green Class—Performance!

KS2 Residential—The deadline for the deposit is 31st Jan. Any questions or worries speak to the

The KS2 Teaching Team

Mr Moodie—Y6 (Purple Class) teacher

Mrs Peterken— Y4/5 (Green Class) Teacher

Miss Cobb—KS2 Lead and Y3/4 (Yellow Class) Teacher

Mrs Tyson—Wednesdays

Mr Armstrong—PE and Spanish across KS2

Mrs Burns—Friday afternoons in Green Class

Miss Beevers— KS2 TA (and ELSA and SALT support)

Mrs Harris—KS2 TA (mornings)

Mrs Armstrong—KS2 TA (and teaches maths in Y4/5)

Mrs Lathlane—KS2 TA (afternoons)

Mrs Wagstaff- KS2 TA (afternoons)

We are happy to help! Should you have any questions or concerns please speak to the class teacher in the first instance. If you then

Supporting Learning

Please make sure that you are registered and looking at **Class Dojo** regularly—this is where you will get class reminders, homework, spellings, home challenges, photos of what the children have been doing in school and links to help at home.

TT ROCKSTARS—Make sure that you are logged on to this wonderful resource that we use to track and monitor times tables learning in school too. We pay for this membership as a school and the children really enjoy it!

Reading—This is the most important way to support your child at home—please read with them as much as you can, sign in their diary and make sure they are bringing their record and book back to school to be changed. Any problems please speak to the class teacher.

Spellings—Children have weekly spellings based on their phonics group or their year group expectations. Please learn these little and often.

CONTACTING US

If someone different is collecting your child please let office or the staff on the morning door or class teacher know via dojo as we do not release children to adults (even if we know them) without parental permission!

Use the email below to contact the school office or call 01636 680051. Make sure that absences are reported to the office directly