

YEAR 6

January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to welcome you to the start of our third term. We are really excited for the term ahead.

Our Topic

Term 3: Jurassic Park

Out topic primarily looks at how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and how adaptation is connected to evolution. We will take on the role of a palaeontologist and look at how living things have changed over time and how fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago.

Maths and English

In maths lessons, children will be learning about: ratio and proportion, fractions, reading and interpreting graphs as well as different forms of problem solving. In order to support your child, you could look at the use of numbers in everyday life: taking your child to the shop to use rounding and estimation, cooking using fractions to measure the ingredients and using time in every day experiences.

It would really support your child if they were confident with their times tables. This would help them in all areas of maths. This term your child needs to learn the: all their tables up to 12 x 12; corresponding division facts for the times tables up to 12 x 12; multiplication and division problems involving multiples of 10; and multiplication and division problems involving multiples of 100.

In English, we will be learning about: character and setting descriptions, persuasive texts and non-chronological reports.

In order to support your child, you could look at the different information texts that are available about dinosaurs, and look at different forms of persuasive texts – perhaps considering advertisements in magazines or in newspapers.

The spellings that your child will be learning this term may be accessed through our school website; it would

be really useful if you could help your child to learn these spellings.

Please encourage your child to read at home every day and ask them questions about what they are reading at every opportunity. We aim to change books regularly.

Your child may bring a water bottle to school. Please ensure the bottle is clearly named and only contains water.

PΕ

Our PE day is on Friday. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit. For outdoor games, the children need plain black/navy tracksuit bottoms, a plain white t-shirt, a plain sweatshirt and trainers. For indoor PE, the children need plain black/navy shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. Every item needs to be clearly labelled and in a bag that will remain in school every day. Kits will be taken home to be washed at the end of each term. No items should be taken home during the term.

Homework

Homework is set on a Friday and will continue to support your child's education. It will include weekly maths and English activities as well as reading, some spelling investigations and multiplication facts. If there are ever any problems about the homework, please come and see us as soon as possible.

Important Dates

16.01.19 –Height and weight checks

12.02.19 – Parent's Evening

13.02.19 - Parent's Evening

15.02.19 - Last day of Term 3

25.02.19 - First day of Term 4

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HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

- Make a dinosaur cake using the following recipe: https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/snappy-dinosaur-cake we would love to see the photos or maybe try a slice.
- There are some fascinating videos to watch, where you can learn about different dinosaurs: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00sy534/clips.
- How about going to the local library to find out more about dinosaurs

Yours sincerely

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