

Spring Term Class Newsletter Mrs Hurst's class.

A note from Mrs Hurst

Welcome back after a well-deserved break. The children worked so hard during the Autumn Term, and I know this attitude will continue throughout Spring Term. We have a lot of exciting learning opportunities this term, including a fantastic trip out to the Jewish Museum and another Money Mentor's session! We also will take part in assemblies and workshops around the water cycle and healthy relationships/friendships over the course of this term! We will really be focusing on our class cause this term The Brick, an initiative that aims to tackle poverty and homelessness in Wigan. Keep an eye on Dojo over the next few weeks as we will prepare of our donation collections. **Please look at our posters in the window.**

English

This term in English, our unit focus will be a story called Who Let The Gods Out by Maz Evans, followed by Cold Heart of Summer by Alan Gibbons.

We are reading... Our class read this term will be Who let the Gods Out by Maz Evans. An exciting tale of the arrival of a zodiac goddess into the real world, unleashing the demons of myth into reality.

We will also be reading Athena: The Story of A Goddess by Imogen Greenburg, in keeping with our Greek theme.

Maths

In maths this term, we will continue our fractions unit and then move on to look at converting between measures. We will then move on to ratio and algebra.

Time is of the essence, please continue to ask your child the time on an analogue clock as well as digital.

Science

This term we will be focusing on the physics unit of earth's movement.

We will then be moving onto the chemistry unit of materials, before finishing the term with the biology unit of living things and their habitat.

History

This term in history, we are continuing to explore Ancient Greece through the concepts of artefacts and society but also through culture and past times.

We will then move onto The Aztecs, focusing on the concepts of beliefs, conflict, settlements, food and farming.

Geography

This term in geography we will be exploring biomes, looking at the types of biomes and climate zones and their locations around the world.

We will then move onto learning about ocean currents.

Other curriculum information:

Homework

Homework will be given out each **Friday** and should be returned by the following **Thursday**. Homework will always be linked to something we are doing in class.

Home Reading

Please listen to your child read at least **three** times per week for at least 15 minutes and record it in their diary. Diaries must be signed by an adult after each read and need to be in school each **Tuesday** to be checked by Mrs Fernay.

IT Rock stars and Spelling tests.

Children are expected to complete 20 minutes of TTRockstars which will be set each week. This is due every Thursday.

Spellings will be sent home every Monday for a test the following **Monday**. Spellings will also be posted on DOJO.

Other curriculum information

Skills Builder- The two skills we will be focusing on this term are Teamwork and Problem Solving.

Art and Design- This term we will be focusing on architecture, looking at the work of Zaha Hadid.

Computing – Throughout the year we will complete Online Safety lessons. Alongside that, this term we will be exploring the Python coding system.

PSHE – We will discuss challenging discrimination. We will also have a money mentors session.

PE – spring term, children will partake in dance, gymnastics and hockey.

RE – During the first half term, we will be looking at what is important in Jewish life and worship before moving onto a topic in understanding who was Jesus.

Music – This term in music we will be exploring dynamics, pitch and texture.

Spanish –After a successful first 2 units on fruit and vegetables, we will be learning all about presenting ourselves and discussing our families.

This is an important year for Year 6 as they will be completing their SATS. We will be beginning booster sessions this term. Information on this will be sent out separately.