





Term 4 Newsletter 'Survival'

Dear Parents,

We hope you have had a lovely half term break! This term, our topic is 'Survival' and the children will be 'exposed to the elements' through Forest School, a Local Area study and a whole week dedicated to 'Our Diverse World' through Science Week. We will be exploring many texts, including *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell, *Shackleton's Journey* by William Grill and *Why the Whales Came* by Michael Morpurgo.

Reading	Please read with your child at least three times a week at home and ensure it is signed and dated. A member of staff will be checking reading diaries on a Thursday and counting the minutes for miles!				
Spellings	Spelling tests are every Thursday and your child will be tested on the spelling pattern they had learnt about the previous week.				
Maths	Maths homework will be set on a Friday and will be expected to have been completed by the following Friday. Maths homework will be set on 'MyMaths' for Year 5 and in books for Year 6. If your child finds the task tricky, there is a revision lesson that they can use first. Parents are encouraged to sit with their child during homework and write a comment into their Homework book if they are giving support to inform teachers.				
Times Tables	Children will learn their tables and practise these in school at least twice a week. Each child has a Times Table Rockstars login and should be practising their tables (either on this website or in another way) three times a week at home.				
Grammar	Grammar homework will be sent home on a Friday and your child will have 2 weeks to complete this. The homework will be based on the grammar they will be learning within their literacy lessons. This should take around 40 minutes. To help with our in-class assessments, please indicate when you have helped your child.				

Helping to enrich our topics

It is always great to have items or visitors that support our topic, so if anyone has any experience or items that may help us with any of the work above that we could hear about or borrow, we would love to see and hear about them.

Each child will also need a shoebox for a project in Science Week; they will need to be brought into school on Monday 9th March please.

<u>Reminders</u> – Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day with fresh water; ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat. Year 56 have PE on a Monday with Mr Brett, but please make sure they have a full kit in school every day.

We are also doing FOREST SCHOOL this term on Thursday afternoons so please can your child bring in waterproofs, wellies and warm layers that are long sleeved and long trousers. Please let me know if you are able to help out at forest school – we are really looking forward to it!

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Healy

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