

Year 3&4 Parent's Meeting - Autumn Term 2017

Children in Year 3&4 are being taught by Miss Slack, Mrs Kanigowski, Mr Harrison (Monday & Tuesday) and Mrs Hodgins (Wednesday-Friday).

Topic for this term ...

Our topic for this half term is 'All Greek to me!'. We will be covering: changes to how the Olympics are run, making clay pots, Greek gods and myths and we will be having a 'Greek Day' too.

Homework ...

Our weekly homework will be sent out on a Thursday and will be due in each week on a Wednesday which gives the staff time to mark the homework ready for it to be handed back. Please make sure that homework is received either on Wednesday or earlier if possible.

Each week we will expect all children to have read at least 3 times, practised the weekly spellings/timestables and the children will be given one extra task which will either be literacy or numeracy based. We will not be setting any formal topic homework, however, please feel free to carry out any additional work linked to the topic with your child and get them to bring it in to share with their class.

We will also give children the opportunity to achieve a spelling certificate at the end of each half term. There will be a test of 20 random spellings from the term and their score will enable them to achieve a bronze, silver, gold or pleasing progress award.

Children also have the opportunity to gain their 'pen licence' in the juniors which is awarded for continuous neat handwriting throughout their books. Please encourage your child to take care with the presentation of their work in order to achieve this.

Useful websites...

<http://www.coxhoe.durham.sch.uk/> Go to 'curriculum' and choose the subject you are interested in - there are links to many other sites with plenty of interactive resources.

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/> Plenty of worksheets and PowerPoint presentations covering most of the core areas of the curriculum.

<http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/> Mainly Numeracy, Literacy and Science games and interactive activities.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/> Age appropriate, subject specific activities, games, worksheets and experiments.

<http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/eng/index-new.htm> Welsh grid for learning, activities supporting all areas of the curriculum.

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/> Fun and useful interactive activities and games for most subjects

Important dates ...

Thursday 14th September - Fitness Testing (KS2)

Friday 22nd September - School Council Manifesto Reading

Friday 29th September - School Council Election

Thursday 5th October - Harvest donations to be in by today please

Friday 13th October - Individual Photographs

Monday 16th October - Anti bullying week

Swimming lessons - Children in Miss Slack's will begin swimming this term up until Christmas. Children in Mrs Kanigowski's class will begin their swimming lessons after Christmas. Please make sure all swimming kit is clearly labelled to ensure lost property is kept to a minimum.

Visitors/Visits

As above, our topic for this term is 'All Greek to me' and we will be having a 'Greek' theme day on Friday 6th October. During the day, children will have the opportunity to experience life as it would have been in ancient Greece, including trying food that would have been eaten. We would like the children to dress up in tunics - see image below. It is advisable for the children to wear this over the top of their uniform on the day.



Finally, on behalf of the Year 3&4 teaching team, we would like to thank everyone for attending our parents meeting.