

UKS2 Autumn 1 News!



Autumn 1!

Excitingly, it is the start of a brand-new academic year; goodbye summer (for now) and welcome Autumn 1! We are truly looking forward to seeing all the children, finding out what they have been up to over the holidays and being part of their learning journey in the upcoming year.

This first half term is the perfect opportunity for the children to dust off those summer cobwebs and get back to showcasing how amazing they are. From stepping back into Mayan civilisations to using shapes to create landscape drawings, there is something for everyone to unlock those hidden talents. In maths, the children will be looking at number and place value before we move onto fractions and percentages. In reading, our class novel will be 'Holes' written by Louis Sachar – an absolute page turner that promises to help improve the children's reading skills. In writing, the children will be writing clear and concise steps in instructional writing before using their persuasive techniques to write convincing and well-structured letters.

Important dates

11th September – return to school
From 18th September – after school clubs begin
October – Black History Month
17th October – Autumn Disco.
27th October – Break up for half term
6th November – start of Autumn 2

Art

This half term, we will be looking at shapes and close ups of our environment to create a piece of art in the style of Lizzie Prestt. With this, the children will draw on their artistic skills from previous years to produce their own unique and innovative masterpieces.



P.E

INDOOR - this half term we will be learning a variety of dance moves. Please ensure your child brings in a P.E kit and suitable footwear for the sports hall.

OUTDOOR, the children will continue improving their football skills alongside cross-country running. Please ensure your child brings suitable active wear and trainers.

P.E days

Y5 – Tuesday and Wednesday
(5SW have swimming on Tuesdays for Autumn 1 and 2)
Y6 – Tuesdays and Thursdays

Swimming

5SW will begin swimming **Tuesday 12th September**. Please send your child in their swimming kit underneath their uniform and a bag with a towel and spare underwear in.

Early Bird

Arrive in school as soon as you so can so we can do our early morning activities together. Doors open at 8:30. Breakfast club continues to be available from 7.30am.

Reading books

Each morning, your child has a chance to show off the reading they've been doing at home to their teachers. Remember to bring in your reading diary and earn those dojos!

History

In history, the children will travel back in time, exploring Mayan civilisations and trying to unearth the impact they had on modern times. We will be investigating what it is like to live like a Mayan, what their beliefs were and why, and the inventions they came up with. We can't wait to see all of those Mayan temple replicas come filtering through our doors.

Science

In science, we will be learning all about two main systems within our bodies: the circulatory and respiratory systems. We will be investigating how both systems work together to help transport blood, oxygen and carbon dioxide around our bodies and how exercise impacts this.