

# Class Newsletter

Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a fantastic holiday and we continue to look forward to working in partnership with you this year. If you have any queries, please pop in before or after school.

Kind regards

Mrs A. Ahmed

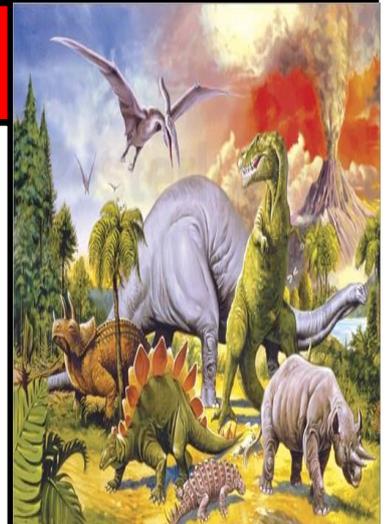
## Our Topics

Our topic will be 'Dinosaurs'. We have an exciting Dinosaur Safari role play in our classroom and you are welcome to pop in and have a look. As part of our dinosaur topic we will be learning to:

- Investigate fossils.
- Recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features.
- Plan, make and evaluate a dinosaur sculpture.

We will be having a Dinosaur day on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June. This will be filled with dinosaur based activities.

We will also be learning all about The Great Fire of London as a mini topic.



### Reading

#### Amazing Authors

Each half term, we have a featured author. Our 'amazing author' is Jeremy Strong.

#### Reading At Home

The children are expected to read each night and bring in a signed diary. The children receive stickers for reading regularly and collect these up for a small prize. At the end of most days we continue to have a 'bookswap' session, where the children can choose their own book from a selection at an appropriate level. In Year 2, the books can be much longer so your child may want to keep the same book for several days.

### PE & Outdoor Education

#### P.E

Please can the children bring in a fully labelled PE kit. This should be a red T-shirt, dark shorts and black pumps. The children may also bring a tracksuit for outside work if they wish.

#### Wildlife Area

We visit the Wildlife Area every Tuesday, in all weather conditions! Please could the children bring in a named pair of wellies and waterproof trousers.

### Homework

Homework is given out on a Thursday and is due in on Wednesday. Due to overwhelming feedback from parents, the homework generally consists of practical activities and not written work, with a weekly spelling test for most groups. Please would you sign the homework slip when completed and return the book on a Wednesday morning. If you feel your child would benefit from extra homework, or you have any queries, please pop in. Please continue with our mental maths targets.

## English

In English we will be learning to:

- Read longer texts and answer lots of questions about what we have read.
- Plan and write using a variety of different styles.
- Use cursive or joined handwriting.
- Use different types of punctuation.
- Spell words from our key stage list.

## Maths

In maths we will be learning to:

- Multiply and divide by 2, 5, 10, 3 and 4's.
- Recognise and write fractions of amounts.
- Add and subtract with numbers to 100.
- Recognise and describe 2D and 3D shapes.
- Tell the time on different types of clocks.
- Solve mental maths problems.
- Solve money reasoning problems.

## Science

In Science we will be learning:

Explain the life cycle of some plants and animals.

Plants and animals are suited to their habitats.

Describe what animals need to survive and their habitat.

## Computing

In Computing we will be learning to:

- Search a database to find information.
- Answer questions using a database.
- Collect data and enter into a database.
- Load and save data.

## RE

In RE we will be looking at: Why should we care for the earth? How do we keep our family/ friends care for us? Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?

In SEAL PHSCE we will be focussing on relationships and changes. We will also be practising our oracy skills through debating and our Philosophy 4 Children lessons.

British Values Individual liberty and mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

## Dates for the Diary

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May- Bank Holiday- School Closed

M 17<sup>th</sup> May- Circus Visit

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May- New uniform launch at 2.30pm

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May- BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June- Dinosaur Day

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June- Non- uniform day for Summer Fair

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June- Year 2 Memories Assembly -9.00am

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June/ Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day Meal

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June- Sports Day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June- Summer Fair

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July- Class Swap Day

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July- Summer Disco PTA

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July- Reports to be sent home.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July- Finish for Summer at 2pm.

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