



Welcome back to the new school term. We are publishing this newsletter to give general information about school routines and some details of what will be happening in your child's class.

In Numeracy we will be covering:-

- Block A: Counting, partitioning and calculating
- Block B: Securing number facts, understanding shape
- Block C: Handling data and measures
- Block D: Calculating, measuring and understanding shape
- Block E: Securing number facts, relationships and calculating

In Literacy we will start with some poetry. Then we will focus on non-fiction writing such as recount, reports, persuasive and instructional texts linked to our history and geography topics. This will be followed by looking at different authors and studying their writing styles.

Our Science topics this half term will be **Dissolving and Reversible and Non-reversible changes**. We will be investigating how to separate different materials, whether certain materials dissolve and reversible and irreversible changes. After half term we will be studying **Interdependence and Adaptation** where we will investigate animals, plants and their environment.

Our History topic this term is **World War Two** and in Geography we will be researching **Mountains**.

In I.C.T we will be using Powerpoint and 2Create to develop multi media presentations linking with our history topic. Later we will be searching databases with a view to develop our own class database.

In Design Technology we will be designing and making shelters.

In P.E we will be learning skills and tactics of invasion games such as basketball and netball. We will also be developing our swimming skills until half term.

In Religious Education we will be researching Judaism, again linking to our topic work on WW2. This will be followed by Christmas celebrations.

General School Information

Jewellery

- Jewellery is not permitted apart from watches and small ear studs.

P.E Kit

- In P.E. children must wear navy or white t-shirts and shorts
- Pupils who do not bring appropriate P.E. kit must use the spare kit allocated to each key stage
- Footwear needs to be appropriate for P.E

Uniform

- Our school colours are navy and white
- Children wear white polo shirts with navy round or v-necked sweatshirts or fleeces
- Children may wear plain navy, grey or black knee-length skirts, trousers or jogging bottoms without logos
- Flip-flops, high heels or any other inappropriate footwear must not be worn. Sensible shoes or trainers only.

Book bags

- Pupils must have their book bags in school every day
- Home school reading books will be signed by the class teacher at least twice each week
- Parents are asked to sign and date the home school reading book at least twice a week

Homework

Homework will be handed out every **Friday** and is to be handed back in no later than the following **Thursday**. If homework is not completed and handed in on time your child will attend a homework club on Friday lunchtime. Homework will include a variety of tasks involving spellings, maths problems and research.