

Junior newsletter - Summer Term 2018

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome back everyone. We hope everyone had a restful Easter.

This newsletter is for you to have a brief overview of what is going to happen in Years 3-6 during the summer term. As the term progresses, look out for extra information on Mr Chandler's newsletter - which is on our school web site. Furthermore, you can refer to the yearly overview curriculum plan that is also on this page - under the heading 'Curriculum'.

LITERACY

READING AT HOME - It is still of great benefit for older children to read with their parents or another willing adult. This helps expression and fluency. It is great to keep up to date with what your child is reading. Please can we ask you to sign your child's reading record book if you have read with them? In addition, please can reading packets be returned to school each day?

We will continue to work on fiction, non-fiction and poetry in English lessons. Also, your child will work on grammar skills - identifying all the elements that go to make up our English language. Moreover, we will continue to work on spellings within school but ask for your support in this matter at home.

NUMERACY

In the juniors there is an expectation that your child will learn their times tables and division facts with rapid recall. The children need to keep practising their times tables as they will be tested regularly in class. Any help you can give your child with their tables does make a difference, so please support your child in their learning.

During the summer months, the topics in maths are generally to do with shape and measures. Your child will need to know the conversion of measures, such as mm-cm or cm- m etc. This includes not only length but conversion of capacity and mass. Again, supporting your child in knowing these conversions will help their maths within school.

TOPIC

In summer 1, Y3/4 children will be completing a number of science investigations. In summer 2, the children will be learning all about Greece and God and mortals. Y5/6 will be learning about changes over time and our local community. In RE, they will be looking at religion through the arts - music, dance, art etc. In Summer 2, they will be learning about changes in the past, particularly around Thirsk. For art, they will be looking at famous artists - such as Andy Warhol and Salvador Dali.

FRENCH

Y3 'Vive le Sport' and 'Le mateo'

Y4 'Je suis le musicien' and 'A la mode'

Y5 'Vive le temps libre' and 'A la plage'

Y6 'Tour de France' and 'destinations'

PE

Y3/4 sports will be cricket and athletics. Y/4 will begin their swimming lessons until the end of the term.

Y5/6 this term will also be doing cricket and athletics. In summer 2, Y6 will be going swimming.

We would like to remind parents that children require a proper kit for both games and PE - **a white T-shirt and black shorts for PE** and in addition to these, **trainers** for games. **Tracksuits are allowed** for outdoor games lessons.

Could we also ask that for health and safety reasons, earrings be left at home on PE and games days to prevent loss or injury? If your child has had their ears pierced recently please inform their class teacher as children are expected to remove earrings for PE and games. Long hair must be tied back.

ICT

Y3/4 will be learning how to use a new programme that we have for ICT called J2E. They will be learning new skills related to this.

Y5/6 will also be learning about J2E and using spreadsheets.

PSHEC

Y3/5: Dear Diary/ joining in and joining up.

Y4/6: People around us/Growing up

HOMEWORK

Children will continue to bring a reading book home each night. In addition, they will be expected to learn their spellings and the current times table multiplication and division facts. Furthermore, additional homework will be given weekly and must be returned.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY FOR THIS TERM

April 17th: School returns.

May 9th and 11th : Bikeability 5E

May 14th- 17th : SATS week Y6

June 6th: 6T begin swimming

June 8th pm - Quadkids event (more details to follow)

Monday 25th June: Sports day - R/ KS1 morning, KS2 PM

June 28th : Year 6 Leavers' Concert 5.30pm

July 2nd: Y6 at the High School. Children within school will visit their new classes.

July 16th: KS2 to attend the sports athletics fixture at the High School.

July 20th: School closes at 2.30pm

We hope this information is useful to you. Please do not hesitate to call in and see us if you need anything.

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