



Rabbit Class

Term 4 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to term 5, I hope you all had a restful and peaceful Easter. Yet again all the children have returned to school with a happy and positive attitude and are enjoying being able to spend time together during breaktimes and lunchtimes.

Recovery Curriculum

Over the next term, Rabbit class will continue to focus on key areas where some children may have gaps. This includes phonics, reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) and maths. To ensure that we cover a broad curriculum the rest of subjects including science, humanities, music and art will be taught through our topic during the afternoons. Religious education and PE are taught separately.

P.E.

Our P.E. lessons this term will be fielding and striking games and will take place on Tuesday mornings as well as swimming lessons on a Thursday. Please make sure that the children have their PE kits in school. It is also important that their PE kit is clearly labelled with their name and they have well-fitting plimsolls that they are able to run around in safely. No earrings or jewellery is allowed to be worn during P.E. lessons, therefore they need to be able to off any watches and take earrings out themselves, or have them taken out in the morning before school. Also, could I also request that children with long hair wear their hair up for P.E.

Homework and Reading

From Friday 23rd of April we will begin to start sending homework again. Our homework will usually be based on the Maths, English or Topic work that we are covering in class. Homework will be sent out on a Friday and we ask that it is returned by Tuesday at the latest. Your son / daughter will also receive a reading book each week on a Friday as well, which will also need to be returned on Tuesday. Your child will be responsible for putting their book in the changing box when they need a new reading book. Please make sure that you sign the reading record to tell us that the book has been finished. We will remind the children about this each day, but if you find their book has not been changed, do pop in and let us know. I will also continue to set a Collin Ebook and MyMaths but they will now be set on Thursday instead of Wednesday.

English

For English we will focus on learning and understanding the features of non-fiction texts and information books. Using this knowledge to help write informational texts about the Romans. This will also involve spending time researching information in books or using the internet, so the children will get the chance to use their alphabetical skills, learn how to skim and scan and write notes that they will then use to support their writing. We will also continue to use our inference and deductions skills to suggest and write predictions when we read 'Roman on the Rampage - Jailbreak' by Jeremy Strong and planning and writing our own Roman story.

Maths

In Maths this term, we will be focusing on addressing any gaps in their learning and will continue with multiplication and division. We will carry on looking at times tables, so it would be really helpful if you could keep practising times tables with your children. Later on in the term, we will be investigating and learning about fractions.

Topic

Our topic this term is The Romans. We will be learning about the Roman empire and it's impact on Britain. We will be finding out about Julius Caesar's attempted invasion of our shores, looking at the power of the Roman army and how Claudius successfully invaded Britain. We will also be investigating Hadrian's wall and Boudicca's rebellion against the Romans. We will also learn about Romans Gods, Roman roads and using card and coloured paper we will create Roman Mosaics and with clay we will create a model of the Coliseum.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do send a note in with your child or send me an e-mail, I will always try my best to respond the same day.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Hawkes (Class Teacher)