



Year 3/4 Newsletter

SPRING 2



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English

In Spring 2, LKS2 will be studying "The Boy with the Bronze Axe" written by Kathleen Fidler. Kathleen Fidler's classic story is set in the ancient Stone Age village of Skara Brae on Orkney and will give the children a chance to create some narratives based on it's storyline. The book is a really challenging text so will help to improve all of the children's reading skills.

Maths

Over the coming weeks, Year 3/4 will be exploring 2D and 3D shapes and their properties. This includes recognising different angles, different types of lines and the lines of symmetry in the shapes. Following this, LKS2 will be learning all about fractions. They will learn how to add and subtract fractions as well as find fractions of different amounts.

Reading

Please encourage your child to read at **least three times** a week at home, for at least 15 minutes each time, filling in the date, book title, and page number in your child's reading Journal. Please support your child's understanding of the text by asking questions about what they've read.



Topic - Through The Ages

We will be continuing our journey through the ages in the second half of the Spring term. The children have travelled brilliantly through the Stone Age and now head towards the Bronze and Iron Age. The children will be investigating how life and settlements developed and will be comparing and spotting the differences. We will be looking at how houses moved and changed with the times as well as transport, how they lived and weapons.

Science

Having learnt all about the Digestive System and food chains, LKS2 move on to exploring how the body works. They will be learning all about the skeleton and the role it plays in our body. We will then move to studying how muscles, tendons and ligaments work in the body and how they aid our movement. Children will take a closer and more in-depth look at the different types of teeth we, and other animals, have and begin to name and classify them. We will also learn how to care for our teeth and will hopefully be visited by a dentist to give us some professional advice.

P.E

LKS2 will be focussing on Gymnastics. The children will learn all about developing flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance. **Swimming will be on a Wednesday for Year 4.**

ICT/DI/PSHE and Mindmate

ICT: Children will be applying their Powerpoint skills to show off all they know about the human body, teeth and food chains.
DI: We will be designing, making and reviewing jewellery using lots of different materials and techniques. Children will use a variety of materials to create some Celtic Jewellery.
PSHE/Mindmate: LKS2 will be talking about challenges and how to overcome them. They will be learning how to deal with set backs and put downs.

Important Dates

27.2.19 - 1.3.19 Year 4 Residential to Robin Wood
6.3.19 Parent Consultations - school shuts at 12:15.
7.3.19 - World Book Day - come to school dressed as your favourite character and come to school with your favourite book ready to share!
WC 18.3.19 - the Book Fair will be taking place throughout this week.



Attendance

Thank you for sending your children to school every day and arriving at **8:45** so that we are all ready to begin the days learning. As you know, 'Every Day Counts'



Thank you to everyone who took part in our Marvellous Maths parent workshop! The children loved showing off their every growing times table skills and it really is having a huge impact on their work in school.