



Class News

We hope that you all had a super Christmas. Thank you for the kind and thoughtful cards and presents. This term our "Let's Investigate" theme will take us on an exciting journey with Year 4 basing their studies around some classic fiction "The Railway Children" by E. Nesbit and Year 5 enjoying some science fiction, "The Boy in the Tower" by Polly Ho-Yen. As before, from Monday to Friday, Mrs Hiorns will teach the class with Mrs Archer adding her valuable support during the mornings. Mrs Dillon will teach the class to cover PPA time on Tuesday afternoon and Mrs Green will teach them on a Friday afternoon. If you have any problems, please speak to us before or after school. We always welcome voluntary help, so please speak to Mr Eden, if you could spare some time to help with our class. If anyone would like to talk to the class about electrical safety, earth in space, forces or railways, we'd love to hear from them.

PE

Our PE lessons will be on Monday (Hockey) and Thursday (Gymnastics). Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit including footwear. As the weather is colder, children will need tracksuit bottoms, leggings and sweatshirts for outdoor PE. Thank you.

Reading Records

Please read regularly with your child; filling in their reading records. Up to date reading records will be rewarded with team points. This term we will be focussing on description of settings and improving our vocabulary skills.

We hope you find this information useful. We will be available on the playground before and after school each day. Please do not hesitate to catch us if you have any questions.

Best Wishes,
Mrs Hiorns/Mrs Archer/ Mrs Dillon & Mrs Green

Curriculum Areas & Timetabling

Each morning, we will split into single year groups for English and Maths from 9.10am until 12pm. Year 4 will work in Class Portugal with Mrs Hiorns & Mrs Archer, while Year 5 will work in Class Russia with Mrs Woods and Mrs Dillon. On a Wednesday afternoon, we will also split into separate year groups for science. In Science we will explore Electricity in Year 4 and Forces and Earth in Space in Year 5. For the rest of each day, we will develop our skills and understanding in the other curriculum areas. In Art we will explore our surreal artists can turn everyday objects into fantasy worlds and have fun doing the same with electrical objects. In RE, we will compare worship in Hinduism and Christianity. This will link with our Computing work as we improve our research and word processing skills. In French, we will learn to talk all about sports then explore Easter.

Homework

English or Maths homework will be handed out each Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. If children are unable to do part of their homework, it is better that they bring in what they have done, so that we can go over any problem areas. We will also have a weekly focus on times tables and spelling patterns and rules.