

Class Newsletter



Swan Newsletter

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Happy New Year and welcome back! Our topic for this half term will be 'Fever, Fire and Fashion'. This Unit is designed to take pupils on an exciting journey back in time to 17th century London in the era of the Plague and the Great Fire. They will learn about the London of Charles II, Sir Christopher Wren and the diarists Samuel Pepys and John Evelyn.

The children will continue be set a Maths task, an English task and weekly spellings. In addition to this, they will be given a half-termly project, linked to the topic we are studying in class, to be completed for the last week of that half term. English homework will normally be set on Wednesdays (to be handed in by the following Monday) and a maths task on Fridays (to be handed in by the following Wednesday). As year 6s, the children are expected to read daily, either independently or with an adult (20mins is recommended). Reading from a range of genres is encouraged e.g. Home/school readers, library books, newspapers, poetry, encyclopaedias, biographies and stories. We will be monitoring the children's recording of what they have read by checking their Reading Records on a regular basis. We would appreciate your support with this by checking and signing the diary over the weekend. Spellings will be given on Thursdays and tested on the following Thursday.

The children will be having games with Andy on Wednesday afternoons and P.E. on Thursday afternoons. It is a requirement that no earrings are worn and long hair is tied back. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school on these days. This should be a white t-shirt and black shorts/tracksuit bottoms or leggings and trainers. For when the weather is cold a separate sweat-shirt would also be advisable. On Wednesday afternoons, some children will be attending swimming lessons at Abbeycroft Leisure Centre. These children will need to bring in their swimming kits in a named bag (details in separate letter). As well as our twice weekly PE lessons, we will be continuing to incorporate the Daily Mile into our school day.

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school on Monday morning that they will refill during the week. Your child should also have a pair of wellies in school so that they are able to use the school field at break times.

Finally, if you have any questions please feel free to pop in and see us before or after school.

Thank you for your support

Mrs Lockwood and Mrs Dunn