

Bonsai Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome back to the Autumn term.



Welcome back to school. I hope that you are all rested and looking forward to a very busy and fun-filled autumn term. We are, with Year 4 and 3, putting on a production. This year it will be a pantomime.

English: We will be looking at a range of different types of texts. As ever we will be improving our grammar, punctuation and spelling skills and ensuring that we apply these skills in our writing. We will also be working on our comprehension skills through written comprehension work and our oral comprehension during Guided Reading work.

Maths: We are continuing to build our mathematical skills though understanding place value, adding, subtracting and multiplying in columns, telling the time and converting units of time.

Practical activities to do at home: please encourage your child to tell the time regularly and look at bus and train timetables when possible as these are skills for life.

Keep practicing your child's recall of their times tables and encourage them to go onto **Doodle Maths** (ideally daily)and **Doodle Maths Timestable** as it really does boost children's understanding and confidence in Maths.

Topic: We will be studying the Tudors. In geography we will be looking at maps.

Science: We will study the lifecycles of a variety of different species and we will be comparing them. We will then look at forces.

RE: In term 1 we will be studying Hinduism and the way they show commitment to their faith. Term 2 focuses on Christianity and we will investigate the different accounts of the birth of Jesus.

ICT: We will be creating websites and working with scratch.

Music: This term we will be looking at a variety of music skills including rhythm, pitch, playing simple instruments and singing through learning 'Living' on a Prayer' and other famous Rock Songs.



Upcoming Events

PE this term is on Monday and Friday. We need outdoor and indoor PE kits.

Library: Tuesday

INSET 25th October

**Class Trip to Hampton Court
25th November**

KS2 Panto:

Homework:

Spellings are set on Friday and tested on Friday.

Daily reading - please record in your child's reading record.

English homework is set on Friday and due in the following Wednesday.

Maths homework is set on Friday and due in the following Wednesday.

If there is a problem with completing homework, the children will have an opportunity to discuss with their class teacher during a lunchtime.

Please go on Doodle Maths daily.