

School Newsletter

Term 4 - Travel, Transport and Forces



Welcome Back!!!

Welcome back from myself and Mrs Christie. We hope that you had a fun, enjoyable and safe holiday! This term we will be learning all about the famous Titanic. The Titanic was a luxurious cruise ship that set sail from Belfast. However, it wasn't all pleasant. Can you guess what happened?

As we go into Term 4, we will be starting to get ready for our Easter production. Myself and Miss Padley are very much looking forward to it and are really excited get the ball rolling.

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MATHS

Children will continue to look at time and will then start looking at fractions.

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ENGLISH

Children will be writing their explanation texts about what happened with the Titanic.

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TOPIC

For this half term, children will be learning all about the Titanic and Isaac Newton.



Times tables

As you are aware times tables have been an increased priority in school. We have now got access to TT rockstars and I am VERY impressed with how much the children are using it. Let's keep it up as we go into Term 3.



Spelling

Spellings will continue to be handed out on a weekly basis. Children will normally be tested on a Monday.



Reading

Please ensure that you read with your children 4x per week. These will be checked on a daily basis.

Things to know.

Just a few things as we go into Term 4

Welcome back after the half term. I hope that it has been fun and relaxing as we return to hit the ground running into term 4. This term we will be starting and completing the school production of Hansel and Gretel.

Reading - Reading will continue be one of the priorities and ensuring that your child reads four times a week. Please use the questions that you were given at the start of last term to support with your child's reading. I have more copies in my class should you require them.

Collective Worship - These normally take place once a term. Parents are invited to the first one of the year and the final one. I will normally write a script that involves all children with lines for them to learn. As they will be preparing for a production for the end of Easter, this will probably be a lighter Collective Worship than normal.

Performance - This time of year is something to especially get excited for as the children will have the chance to perform their very own production on stage. I hope that all children have taken home their scripts and learnt their lines. Over the next few weeks we will be developing this and learning all the amazing songs. You should have also received a letter about the part they have been given with the dates of the productions.

Spellings and Homework - children will receive either Maths or English homework on a Friday and will be expected to be back in school on the Wednesday. Spellings will go out on the Monday and will be tested on the following Monday. Also, I have started to play a variety of games to support with spellings such as: -

- snakes and ladders
- hangman (however, each child must get each letter in succession).
- finding patterns in words (sorting into groups)



- writing the words in large and drawing pictures to remind them.
- writing a story based on the words that they have been given that week.

LEVELS

Below are you child's levels for reading, writing and maths. The levels given are their current level of achievement. They are required to reach expected by the end of the year. Therefore, you will probably not see any movement until either term 5 or 6. If they are emerging at this stage, it is nothing to be concerned about as they will move to the next level by the end of the year.

	Emerging	Expected	Exceeding
Reading			
Writing			
Maths			