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9th September 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and I hope you all had a fantastic summer break! This term our topic is 'Peasants, Princes and Pestilence', concentrating on the Black Death. We hope this will be fun and we have lots of exciting activities planned.

Homework

Each week there will be a literacy or numeracy activity set normally on a Friday due in the following Friday. There will be tasks related to our topic and this is due in fortnightly. With new curriculum expectations, it is vital that the children secure their times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12. Regular practice at home is extremely important and the children will be tested weekly using a times tables challenge activity to assess their progress.

Reading

Reading at home is essential and comments in the reading diary relating to this are very useful. During Upper Key Stage 2 children go through a critical transformation as readers. During KS1 & Lower KS2 children are taught to decode, recognise key sight words, comprehend simple texts, and read with some degree of fluency. During Years 5 & 6, it is still important for children to read every day, they must consolidate and extend their basic skills, become fluent, confident readers, build a vocabulary of words and concepts, and most importantly be able to comprehend increasingly sophisticated texts. It is a transition from 'learning to read' to 'reading to learn'.

PE

We are hoping for some sunny weather for this term, so we have planned for P.E. to be outside. PE will be on a Monday and Wednesday.

A reminder that school PE kit should be worn. Suitable footwear is also required for outdoor games. A change of footwear and suitable socks are very important as many of the lessons will be on the field. It is advisable to leave earrings and jewellery at home on swimming and P.E. days.

Please support your child by ensuring they have their named P.E. Kit in school.



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Curriculum Overview.

RE- Jesus and Mohammed

Topic (Geography/History/ICT/ D&T/ Art)- Peasants, Princes and Pestilence

Commando Joe.

This term we are very lucky to be working with Commando Joe in school, this will be on a Wednesday. This will help boost children's self-esteem and confidence in a fun and motivating way. We are all looking forward to getting started next week.

Water Bottles.

Please can you send your child to school with a water bottle to keep in the classroom. This will need to be taken home and washed regularly.

We value the role that parents/carers play in education and hope that by working in partnership with you, we will be able to fully support your child's learning and help them to achieve their full potential. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,

Mr S Cook



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