



FRANCES OLIVE ANDERSON
Church of England (Aided) School



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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you all had a good relaxing break, enjoying the sunshine over the Easter weekend.

Thank you to all who attended Parent's Evening Consultations last term.

For the whole of the Summer term our topic will be 'Groundbreaking Greeks', looking at the people, architecture and influences from Ancient Greece. We hope this will be a fun and exciting topic and we have a visit to Lincoln Cathedral to come as we focus on architecture.

Homework

Most of the children are now in a good routine completing homework, with a maths activity set, normally on a Monday, which will be due in the following Monday. A worksheet will be handed out as well as a copy being uploaded to Seesaw - children can upload their work or hand it in to class. We are trying to cover all bases and ensure that everyone has access. There will also be extra tasks related to our topic to engage the children and grown-ups too! This term we would like the children to research machinery in farming - looking at how innovative equipment has modernised farms and designing a machine for the future.

TT Rockstar

Please keep encouraging your child to practise their time tables every week - just 10 minutes 3 times per week can make a huge difference and makes more advanced maths easier to understand.

Reading

Reading at home continues to be a focus and it is essential that children record their time reading in their reading diary. I have been impressed with the increased commitment and enjoyment the children are getting from reading and am very proud to see so many children close to their first reading award milestone of a BRONZE badge. During Years 5 & 6, it is so important for children to read every day to 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'.



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Year 5 children are expected to **read at home 4 times per week as part of their weekly homework** - this should be at least 10 pages - the children should mark the pages read from / to in their reading record.

PE

Please ensure that your child has suitable clothing for both outdoor and indoor PE lessons and a suitable **roll-on deodorant** is also a good idea from Year 5 onwards.

PE will be on a Wednesday morning and a Thursday afternoon.

A reminder that school PE kit should be worn, not football shirts/kits. Suitable footwear is also required for outdoor games. 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

Curriculum Overview.

Maths - Statistics / Shape / Measurement

English - **Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief** - Narrative / Myths / Comprehension

RE - Expressing Beliefs Through Art

Topic (Science/Geography/History/ICT/ D&T/ Art)- Groundbreaking Greeks

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,

Mrs Hearn