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"Together, we will RISE"

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you have all had a relaxing and merry Christmas and I wish you every success as we enter the New Year. Entering a hopefully brighter 2021, I intend to bring more fun, exciting, and engaging lessons to class 2. Below is an outline of some of the topics we will be covering this term. As with the Autumn terms, all work, timetables, and homework will be uploaded to Teams (MyMaths and BugClub will be set also). I'm excited to get back into school and eager to get the children engaged in their studies.

Literacy

Our literacy focus for the start of this term will be fact-files and non-chronological reports. Our class book 'The Last Castaways' will be used for guided reading and to engage children in our topic work for this term. I am happy for children to have their own copies of our class book, for them to follow the story, but I do ask that it remains in school on their tables.

Maths

Year 3's will be initially recapping fractions before moving back to studying long addition and subtraction. Year 4's will be starting the term with multiplication and division before also moving onto long additional and subtraction. We will continue working on our times tables, and will deepen and stretch the children's understanding through comprehension challenges.

Topic

Our topic for this term revisits the Roman empire in history where will be looking at artefacts and delving into the ancient Roman civilisation. We will also be venturing into the exciting scientific world where we will explore the different phases of matter (I have lots of exciting practical's planned that your children will love!). For all other topic work please see the 'topic web' on Teams.

PΕ

PE will be different this term due to our updated risk assessment, and we will no longer be doing PE on a Friday afternoon but on a Thursday afternoon instead. Please ensure your children are attending school in their PE kits on a Thursday. These PE kits need to be appropriate for outdoor activities as we will be unable to use the school hall. PE will also not be taught by Mrs Ballard, but by myself and will be focused on net games.

Our daily timetable will be similar to what it was in December, with class 2 children arriving for school at 9am and finishing at 3.15pm. The biggest difference is that we will now be having a half-day on Friday, with class 2 children finishing at 1.15pm instead. As we enter the New Year, I envision the weather getting cooler before we enter the Spring months, please ensure your children wear clothes suitable for the cooler (and possibly wet) weather, so they can enjoy their outdoor play without getting cold. We will also have to keep the classroom well ventilated by having windows and doors open, therefore, your children might benefit from wearing jumpers, hats, gloves and other warm clothing when doing their work (please note children will still be expected to wear their school uniforms). As always, if you wish to contact me for any reason or to arrange a meeting please do so via email. As always, thank you for your continued support, I'm excited and looking forward to another exciting year!

Kind Regards,

Mr Field.











