



Year 6 Newsletter – Spring 2

Welcome to the Spring term, we hope you all had a wonderful half term.

Our learning this term

Reading and Writing

We are studying 'All Aboard the Empire Windrush' by Jillian Powell:

It is 1948 and Preston is about to set sail on a journey that will change his life forever. He and his parents will travel on The Empire Windrush from Jamaica to start a new life in Britain. Join Preston on board and discover ...

who was on this famous ship;

how the passengers entertained themselves on the long journey;

and what they thought of England when they arrived!

You will also learn how the Windrush passengers have contributed to British life today.

The children will be making predictions and summarising key ideas. They will continue to practice retrieval of information, answering inference style questions and apply new vocabulary.

In writing, they are learning to write a newspaper report using the knowledge they have gained about WWII and the Windrush generation. They will analyse the features of a newspaper report and incorporate these into their own writing.

Maths

In Maths, the children will be focusing on decimals and percentages, as well as continuing to refine their arithmetic skills.

SATs

In preparation for the KS2 SATs, children need to be proficient in their use of timetables and division facts. Please encourage your children to use Times Table Rock Stars regularly.

Previous SATs papers for Reading, Maths, Spelling and Grammar can be found and downloaded from the internet free of charge. Please practise with your child whenever possible.

Clubs

Monday: Girls' football with Charlton Athletic

Monday: Spanish.

Tuesday: Nicole's Dance School

Wednesday: Boys' football with Charlton Athletic

PE Weekly time table

P.E. – please ensure children are wearing appropriate

P.E. kit (plain blue, black or white t-shirt and shorts/tracksuit bottoms, plain trainers/plimsolls)

- Hepworth – Monday and Tuesday
- Zephaniah – Monday and Tuesday
- Emin – Monday and Tuesday

Uniform

Please ensure that children are wearing the correct uniform at all times:

- Black or dark grey skirt
- Navy or dark grey bib or zip front pinafore dress
- Navy and white gingham dress
- Black or dark grey tailored school trousers
- White polo shirt
- Navy blue round neck jumper or cardigan
- White or dark socks or navy blue tights
- Black low-heeled school shoes or **PLAIN black trainers (no logos or motifs).**

Homework

Homework will be given out weekly. It should be submitted by Wednesday morning at the latest.

Reading must be done every night and reading records should be brought in every day with 3 entries per week summarising what has been read. The 'bookworm of the half term' will have tea and cakes with Miss Lynch.

Events

Monday 3rd March – Dog's Trust Visit
Thursday 6th March – World Book Day
Thursday 13th March – Police Visit
WB:17th March – Science Week

Attendance and punctuality

Children need to be in class by 8:50am. Grammar and reading are the first lessons and a vital part of the day – especially as we have SATs in May. Being on time also means a settled start to the school day for your child. **It is essential children attend school to achieve their best.**