

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back everyone; we hope you have had a wonderful Christmas break. We are really looking forward to the new year with your children continuing our learning together.

We are, once again, taking a cross-curricular approach to our learning this term as we begin our new topic **Magnificent Monarchs.**



RE

Our topics are Books, Thanksgiving and Opportunities

English

We will be reading "Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine" as our writing stimulus.

In creative writing, we will be looking at Narrative writing, Diaries, Recounts, Poetry and Instruction Writing. We will also continue with weekly spelling and grammar lessons. Your support with these at home is greatly appreciated as it enables the children's progress in their writing tasks.

Maths

In maths we will be continuing with Multiplication and Division.

We will be recapping Number and Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, including money.

We will also be introducing fractions.

Measurement will be time, mass, volume and capacity.

We will also be working on Statistics.

We will continue to work on our problem solving strategies developing mastery throughout each topic.



Science - We will be exploring every day materials, looking at natural and man made. As well as this we will be learning how to work scientifically.



Topic - Magnificent Monarchs.

History

Following a visit to Warwick Castle, we will be discovering the English and British monarchy, creating a time-line and learning about significant people. We will also take part in a Bayeux tapestry investigation.



Geography

We will be locating Royal residences within the U.K

We will also be continuing with our map work using a key and symbols.

D.T

We will be looking at the properties of components and materials. Aswell as using construction kits.

Art

We will be developing our drawing and paintings skills exploring portraits and the way in which various artists have painted portraits over time.

We will also be making clay sculptures of the human face.



PSHE

Our theme is Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me.

Computing

We will be using 'Purple Mash' to look at how to keep safe online. We will also be learning about coding and creating pictures.

Music

Our theme is Music Makers and Giants and Fairies.

PE

Lessons will be on a Wednesday Please ensure that your child wears the appropriate kit for both indoor and outdoor sessions.

Also, during these winter months, please ensure that your child has jogging bottoms and a hoodie/sweatshirt to keep them warm. In the interests of safety, children with earrings will be expected to remove them or cover them with tape.



Homework

The homework tasks that the children will be expected to complete are as follows:

- Read (daily) - their class reading book /Phonics book
- Practise spellings (daily)
- Comprehension/Grammar exercise (weekly)
- Times table practise (daily)
- Mathematics task/activity (weekly)



Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Delfino and Mr Goldring.