

# Spring Newsletter

Kingfisher Class - Mr Williams and Miss Collier

Welcome back, Kingfisher class! I hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas break and are ready for the excitement of the Spring Term. This term our wider curriculum focus is Science and Geography. In Science, we will be exploring our solar system, looking at the phases of the moon and the Earth's orbit. In Geography, children will be learning about biomes, climate and focussing on a locational study of North America.

## PE Schedule & Equipment

The focus of our PE lessons this term will be circuits. PE will take place on Friday each week. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE Kit, including jogging bottoms, a jumper and trainers. If your child is unable to participate in a session, we will require a written note to support this.

## Learning Together

Our Learning Together session is Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 2-3pm.

## Times Tables Rock Stars



TT Rock Stars is our interactive programme designed to improve recall of the Times Tables and increase confidence in maths, all while having a rockin' time! Please encourage your child to regularly access this to sharpen their skills.

## Home/School communication/home learning

We have access to class dojo which is where we will share information about what is going on in the school and the classroom. Please feel free to contact us on class dojo using the messaging system.

### Reap the rewards of Reading!

We encourage children to be reading their school or home reading book for 20 minutes each day. Accelerated Reader is now running within the school and the children are able to take regular quizzes on their reading books.

### Year 5 Homework

In addition to reading, all children will be given spellings and times tables to practise each week and should complete a piece of homework from the takeaway menu in their homework book. In addition to this, Year 5 will also have a maths homework book where they will complete a weekly arithmetic sheet.

### Planned Trips

We are very excited to say that the Year 5 Activity Week will take place the week beginning Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May. You can make payments towards your remaining balance on Parent Pay.

### Helping you child at home

Please refer to the Year 5 Expectations guide which details the standards expected for children at the end of Year 5 in Reading, Writing and Maths. All the objectives will be worked on throughout the year and will be the focus of direct teaching. Any extra support you can provide in helping your children these is greatly valued. Children's homework is given to support their learning in school and therefore we appreciate your support with ensuring these are completed on time.

### Correct School Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform each day, including black shoes. As the weather is changeable this term, please ensure your child has a coat every day.

