

Dragonflies Newsletter Spring Term 2026



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Dragonflies Class! I hope you have all have a fantastic Christmas break and a good rest, and I am looking forward to welcoming the children back to school and into the start of Spring Term.

PE lessons this half term will be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (please come into school wearing PE kit). After half term, we will be starting swimming lessons on a Tuesday morning and you will receive a letter nearer the time advising you what your children need to bring. In the meantime, the best way you can help the children prepare is to make sure that they practice and are able to get dry and dressed by themselves after washing, as this will be essential for changing after swimming.

Our topic this term is Kings and Queens, where we shall be delving back into Britain's past to discover some of the colorful characters and magnificent monarchs of the last 2,000 years.

As always, the children will be expected to **read daily at home** and this really is one of the most important and impactful ways you can help with their learning! If you ask your child questions while reading together "how do you know where they are going?" "who is the main character's brother?" "what happened first?" "what do you think will happen next?" "how do you know John feels sad?" it really helps with their comprehension and understanding of what they're reading, which is the main reading skill we focus on in Year 2 rather than decoding, now that the children are becoming fluent readers.

In **Maths** we will be looking at money and the 2, 5, 10 times tables. To help at home it's great if the children could practice counting with coins and notes (I know we don't use them so much in our day to day lives these days, but they are still a big part of the Year 2 maths curriculum). With times tables, as well as being able to recall table facts ($2 \times 3 = 6$, $5 \times 10 = 50$) it's also useful to practice missing number problems at home to really cement the tables by mixing up the order, such as $4 \times ? = 20$ $? = 3 \times 5$ $100 \div ? = 10$ They also all have TTrockstars/Numbots log ins (stuck inside the cover of their reading record, or ask me if you need it emailed to you) and will all have the 2s, 5s and 10s on their to practice, and [HitTheButton](#) is another good resource to practice with at home.

Spellings will be given out on a Friday for the children to take home and practice at home over the week, with a spelling test the following Friday in class. They will have time to practice their spellings in class, but please ensure they spend some time learning them at home as well.

Homework grids Optional tasks will be sent home in a homework book, which include a variety of tasks based on learning covered this term. Homework is not compulsory but there will be rewards for those children who do engage in them and there will be time to share it in class on the Fridays we do not have Celebration Assembly. If the children wish to bring something for Show & Tell it also needs to be only on those Fridays, and those with things to share that relate to their learning will be given priority.

If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to ask.

Kind regards,

Miss Douglas



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Kings and Queens



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
Reading	Kings and Queens – Tony Robinson Kings and Queens Poetry Habitats	Canterbury Tales – Sarah Coutauld & Susanna Davidson Castles Children's Classics Rights and Responsibilities
English - writing	Structured Poetry Villanelles Traditional Narrative Medieval Fairy Tales	Recount A Day in the Life of a Monarch Narrative Historical - Canterbury Tales
Maths	Money Multiplication and Division	Multiplication and Division Length and Height Mass, Capacity and Temperature
Science	Living Things and their Habitats Animal Survival Plants	
RE	Judaism How do Jewish people celebrate the Passover (Pesach)?	
Computing	Data and Information - Pictograms	Programming – Interactive Quiz
PSHE	Keeping Myself Safe	My Rights and Responsibilities
DT		Textiles Templates and Joining Techniques – Bayeaux Tapestry
Art	Drawing Royal Portraits Kehinde Wiley: Modern Portrait Artist Yayoi Kusuma: Pointillism Self Portrait	
History	Kings and Queens	
Geography		Buildings Across Time
PE	Target Games Sending and Receiving	Swimming Dance