Frogs Newsletter Autumn Term



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Frogs Class! I hope you have all had an enjoyable and restful summer. I am very excited to welcome the children to Frogs and am looking forward to getting to know them. We have lots of fun and engaging things planned for this year, to supplement and enhance the curriculum.

This term our topic will be **Stone Age to Iron Age**, and we will be looking at the changes in Britain during this time. The children will develop a chronological understanding of this period and compare daily life during this time by completing historical enquiry. Our topic will also focus on Rivers, their physical features and how they play an important role in trade, transport and settlements. We will link these topics to other areas of the curriculum such as cave paintings in Art and writing based around the books 'Stig of the Dump' and 'Iron Man' in English. We will also be enriching our understanding of our topic with a Caveman Day on Wednesday 22nd September – more details to follow!

PE lessons will be on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** (please come into school wearing PE kit on those days). Please note that the children will be participating in swimming lessons on a Tuesday as their PE lesson.

Homework grids will also be sent home, which include a variety of tasks based on learning covered this half term. Children can either choose one task every couple of weeks or spend longer completing a bigger task. Homework is not compulsory but there will be rewards for those children who do engage in the tasks. The children will be given a homework book to complete the tasks, in which they bring in and share with the class. We will share, celebrate and give feedback to children the week commencing 20th October. Please encourage children to bring in their topic homework this week.

Children will be given a homework planner to record their home reading and weekly homework tasks.

The expectations are as follows:

- -Read for at least 15 minutes daily
- -Practise Times Tables Rockstars twice a week
- -Complete 2 x activities in their spelling booklets

Please record all homework (reading, TT Rock Stars and spellings) in their homework diaries along with your signature. We will check the diaries every Friday and if children have completed the homework outline above, they will be rewarded with extra break time.

Children may bring in a pencil case which could include a pencil, rubber, sharpener, ruler, glue stick and colouring pencils. Please ensure that this is a suitable size for the classroom and not overflowing with items as it can often become a distraction for the children.

The following page shows the different learning that will take place over the Autumn Term.

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	Autumn I	Autumn 2
English	Fantasy Narrative Structural Poems Class Text: Stig of the Dump by Clive King	Explanations Traditional Narrative Class Text: Iron Man by Ted Hughes
Maths	Place Value Addition and Subtraction	Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and division
Science	Rocks	Forces
RE	Christianity	Christianity, Buddhism
	What is the trinity?	How do people express a commitment to religion in different ways?
Computing	Creating Media Desktop Publishing	Computing Systems and Networks Connecting Computers
PSHE	Me and my relationships	Valuing Difference
DT		Structures Shell Structures
Art	Cave Drawings Kara Walker Christina Rijneveld	
History	Stone Age to Iron Age Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age	
Geography		Rivers How settlements form, rivers for water, trade and transport, Describe and understand features of physical geography including rivers.
PE	Swimming Hockey	Swimming Outdoor Adventurous Activity
French	Culture – Where in the world speaks French? Bonjour tout le monde (hello everybody)	Culture – Where in the world speaks French? Bonjour tout le monde (hello everybody)
Music	Let your spirit fly	Three little birds

I look forward to a busy and productive term. If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards, Mrs Barden