

### **Welcome Back!**

Welcome back! We hope you all had a restful Easter and are eager to learn this half term. Our topic will be Victorian Education with a focus on our School during the Victorian times.

#### **Diary Dates:**

Residential Parents Meeting- 03/05/2022 9am in the Hall

Residential- 9/5/2022- 11/5/2022

Open Afternoon- 9/6/2022 Thursday, 1:30pm in the Hall

### **English**

During the first half term, we will be looking at the story of Street Child by Berlie Doherty. We will be taking lots of opportunities to write and develop our comprehension skills through this text. Later in the term we will be looking at other books with a Victorian setting such as the children's version of Oliver Twist, Hetty Feather and the Lottie Project. Our non-fiction writing will be non-chronological reports which will be incorporated into our history work. We will be having a big push on spelling and grammar this term to ensure children are ready for their next School year.

As always, please can we stress the importance of reading at home. Books are always available to borrow from School or children can read books that they already have at home. We will be having a big push on this over the Summer term. Yellow reading diaries are only required to be in School on a **Monday**. This helps to prevent them getting forgotten and left in School.

This term will also see us return to our local library for the first time since 2020. Children who have returned their library forms (or already have a library card in School) will be able to take out books. We expect that as with all books, these are looked after and returned. We will be visiting the library approximately every other week and children will be given advance notice to bring their books in ready to swap.

### **Maths**

During the Summer Term, Year 3 will be covering graphs, fractions, angles, lines, shapes and perimeter. In Year 4, the children will be looking at money, mass, volume and length, area of figures, properties of shape, position and movement and finally Roman numerals. It is great to see so many children engaging with Mathematics through choice (it is expected that ALL children complete the set tasks each week) and having a go at TTRockstars. Some children are even getting certificates every week which is really impressive. Year 4 will be completing their Statutory Multiplication Check in the first week back after the half term. If you want to support your child with this, please encourage them to use the soundcheck mode on TTRockstars.

## **PE**

This term we will be making the most of our outdoor space as much as possible. Please make sure that your child has a hoodie/tracksuit with them in case the weather is chilly.

**PE will be on a Wednesday and Friday during Summer 1.**

As PE is subject to change due to weather - please ensure your child has their PE kit in every day. This should include trainers and socks if your child wears tights!

### **Girls Tag Rugby**

Our Year 3 and 4 girls have been invited to join in coaching through West Lakes Academy on a Friday morning with the end goal being a tournament on 9/6/2022 (the final team will be announced following the final training session). If you are able to assist with transport to any of the sessions below please let us know.

Year 3 dates- 23/04/2022, 07/05/2022, 21/05/2022

Year 4 dates- 30/04/2022, 14/05/2022, 27/05/2022



## **Homework**

Topic homework is already on Seesaw. The expectation is that all children complete at least one piece over the half term. Children who don't complete will be expected to do this at School during playtime.

Please ensure that children are reading for 10 minutes each day (including free readers) and complete 2x Mathletics each week. Your child is welcome to write in what they have read each day. Please state the book and number of pages read. Just writing- I have read all week, is not enough! We would also like to strongly encourage the use of Times Tables Rockstar's. Children who do all these things regularly are making excellent progress and find it makes a difference to their confidence in class.

Any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak to any of us

Miss Ellwood, Miss Gebbie, Mrs Bound and Mrs McManus