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### **Weekly Curriculum Newsletter – Wk beginning 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018**

Last week our Pupil School Council Elections took place with nominees making election speeches and voting taking place. Everyone was very impressed at the thought that had gone into nominee speeches, especially in relation to specific council roles.

There is a new School Council Notice Board in school so please take a look.

The new School Council members are :

CHAIR : Leah Wallace VICE CHAIR : Chloe Gray TREASURER: Chloe Sirey

SECRETARY : Noah Wallace ELECTED MEMBERS : Rosie Hastings & Sam Evans

Their first Council Meeting takes place on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October and we feel certain they will be initiating and organising many exciting events across this school year.

### **Class One – Ms Shannon**

Our We Are all Wonders book exploration continues with a special focus on kindness, linking to SEAL. Exploring and celebrating difference and uniqueness between individuals will inform our writing, speaking / listening and linked cross curricular learning.

Spelling focus: Reception will explore / learn the sounds e, h, u, r .

Year One are learning, discriminating and applying the rules for v / ve in words.

Guided Reading occurs each Monday with individual readers changed weekly.

Numeracy sessions : Reception will make / count sets of objects reinforcing the rule that last number counted gives set total. Year One calculate with addition / subtraction using tens frames, part and whole models and objects to problem solve.

### **Class Two – Mrs Thomson /Miss Pendleton / Mrs Glencross**

In Literacy to round off our inspiring learning around the Firebird text, we will use poetry and listen and discuss Stravinsky's ballet score to identify how music can recreate the narrative mood, scene set and develop storyline action.

Work on developing and improving joined handwriting technique is a key learning focus too.

Guided group / individual reading is ongoing across the week. Remember the 25 goal for our competition – please do record each time you read with your child, some pupils are almost at that target already which is fantastic!

In Numeracy, place value knowledge will be applied in a variety of problem solving calculation contexts, with understanding and use of the < and > comparative value symbols being incorporated. Hundred square addition / subtraction will continue, with exploration of how numbers change when adding / subtracting 1 10 100 .



## **Class Three – Mr Robertson / Mrs Nolan**

In Literacy, using Kiplings version of The Jungle Book we will explore writer conventions used and analyse the ways he used talking characters to relate the story. We will then become the narrator, using dialogue to move parts of the story along.

Grammar work is linked as pupils select and use adverbials of place / time as they write.

In Spelling, dependant on Year group, pupils will be either: exploring the latin prefixes : anti / tri / bi / sub / aqua ( ie bicycle / triangle / subway ) OR revising verb endings : ing / ed /ingly.

Guided readers / individual reading are ongoing across the week.

Place value and calculation will extend to one million with particular emphasis on fully understanding each digit value. Whole/ decimal /negative number calculations are ongoing too.

Remember, nightly times table practice is so vital.

*Can we ask that if your child does free writing for homework, that lined paper is used and is in pencil please.*

**REMEMBER our weekly Monday Superstar assembly at 9.10am – all welcome.**

### **Dates for the Diary**

. Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October – all day educational visit Years 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 – Tullie House & Cathedral .

. Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 10.15am School Library Van Visit for pupils.

. Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2.30 in School Hall Harvest Service ( all welcome ).

. Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October 1.15pm School Photographer ( letter to follow soon ).

Do look on our school Facebook page and website each week too – photographs and information are regularly posted that reflect and celebrate learning and achievements.

### **School Uniform**

School uniform can now be ordered direct from our supplier at

<https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/GreatOrtonSchoolCA56NA>

**Our Walking School Bus Scheme** can now draw funding from a local village business and Cumbria Constabulary, in conjunction with the Active travel To School National Scheme, for high vis pupil jackets and a Walking Bus Paddle. We are delighted.

Have a lovely weekend all.

