

Term 3 & 4 Newsletter 2019

Class 5 Explorers

Mr Oliver



*For learning that lasts
a lifetime.*



Welcome back everyone and Happy New Year! May I thank you, on behalf of Mrs Hollowday and myself, for the wonderful Christmas gifts, it really was very kind of you, thank you so much.

Learning and Exploring

The children have made a very promising start to the New Year. They are building on their learning from last term; demonstrating their enthusiasm when exploring this term's new topics.

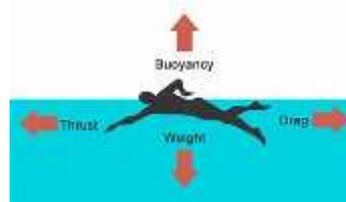
Literacy: We are looking at how writers create settings and characters by using imagery. We will be exploring how the use of describing emotions and detail bring excitement to the text and engage the reader.

Guided reading in groups takes place in rotation and children have regular opportunities throughout the term to read to another year group in order to learn how to *engage* a child in a story.

Mathematics: We are looking at understanding the use of various division and multiplication facts. Children explain their methods so they understand the calculation fully. They are becoming much more skilled with their tables knowledge and are keen to show how they can complete their 'multiplication tables' in under a minute.

Science: We will be exploring Forces this term. We will investigate the different kinds of forces such as centrifugal forces and magnetic forces together with measuring the size of a force using force meters.

Home Learning will be all about exploring these ideas. We want to help children discover how exciting the world is when you think for yourself. Home learning usually has some hidden tasks for the children to discover. Children will always have from Friday to Wednesday to complete this, so please encourage them not to leave it to the last minute!



Resilience. We will be focusing on Resilience throughout this term as part of our schools values. We will be learning to express our feelings and thoughts and manage our emotions.

Modern Foreign Languages: We will be developing our conversational French- learning about the home and important places in town.

We will also be participating in our whole school Art Exhibition to be held at 'The Pines Calyx'. During this term we will be exploring the classic: 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. To complete our artwork, we will be taking our inspiration from Henri Rousseau, a French post-impressionist painter. He used his art to portray feelings about the world around him. The children will explore how his painting expressed the feelings of the 'Tiger' and transfer this style to paint Aslan within the land of Narnia.

PE is on Monday and Wednesday. We will be learning new gymnastic and netball skills this term. As the weather is now rather wet and turning colder could the children bring joggers and trainers on those days if possible. We can then go outside as often as possible.

Please continue to bring reading books and Reading Record Books in every day.

Thank you.