





SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD





Spring 1 2025 Newsletter

Welcome back after the holidays and a Happy New Year to you all. We hape that you have had a good start to the New Year and that the children are ready to start another term of learning.

What are we learning this half term?

English

This half term the children will be looking at a story called Grandpa's Island. It is an extremely moving story which deals with loss, friendship and adventure. As we explore the beautiful illustrations and the touching story, we will produce a setting description and a news report.

This term, we will increase the amount of time that the children spend reading. They will continue reading in their Guided Reading groups and we will also practise reading comprehension, spelling and phonics daily to help the children to become fluent readers.

Please do continue to support your child's reading at home as much as you can. The progress they are making is amazing and your support is really appreciated!

Science

about Animals, including Humans. We will learn how animals and humans mature over time and what we need to stay alive. Children will also be learning the importance of exercise and why we need to eat different foods. Then, we start our new topic: materials. This topic will involve a variety of experiments and interactive activities that I hope the children will enjoy.

R.E.

We will be looking and learning about Islam this term. Our learning in RE will look at the question, 'Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/her everyday life?' This unit will focus on the importance of prayer (Salah) on Muslim's lives and how most Muslims make a commitment to Allah in their daily prayer.

Maths

This term, the children will learn about the value of money and how to solve problems and give change. I am sure they are going to be absolute superstars!

We will also revisit other areas of learning from both VI and V2 in each session to make sure that the children are revising their maths as much as possible.

History & Geography

We will be finishing our topic of flight, examining how air travel has changed over the years. Then, we will delve into some local history, looking at the history of Bow and how it has changed over the years. In Geography we will be comparing London with Nairobi in Kenya.

Homework will be sent out on Thursdays. We will be using Century AI this term to support home learning, so please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions. This term, homework will focus on learning times—tables and practicing weekly spellings.