

# **Essential information for parents**

Autumn 2 2023



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#### History

After a half term understanding World War One, children will now move onto World War Two, examining the causes of this worldwide battle, as well as delving deep into the Battle of Britain, the key decisions made by wartime leaders, and the persecution of Jews such as Anne Frank. They will never be forgotten.

## Geography

Continuing our geography project, children will become experts on the humanitarian crisis which is climate change, its causes, and its impact on a range of biomes across our planet.

In our fieldwork project, children will analyse data and carry out fieldwork to find out about local road safety. They study patterns of human settlements and carry out an enquiry to describe local settlement patterns.

# Science

This term's work builds on the children's learning from the Year 3 Rocks unit as well as the Animals including Humans and Living Things and their Habitats units.

Children will learn about variation and adaptation. They will be able to explore how both Charles Darwin and Alfred Wallace separately developed their theories of evolution. They will examine the scientific evidence from plants and animals that has been gathered to support the theory of evolution.



## Maths

#### Fractions

In this unit, children will work on adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing fractions. Children will begin by simplifying fractions and move on to comparing and ordering fractions.

Following this, they then begin to add and subtract fractions with different denominators, including mixed numbers.

#### Decimals

To begin with, pupils will read and write decimals, write fractions as decimals, multiply decimals, and divide decimals including by 2-digit numbers.

We will also continue to revise a range of arithmetic objectives through our maths work.

#### P.E.

This half term, children will be taking part in invasion games, testing their teamwork and collaborative approach to applying their sports skills.

It is advised that parents read with their children at least four times a week. Reading records are checked every Thursday, and it is children's repsonsibility to ensure that these are in school on time. Please get in touch if you have any queries regarding home reading.

### Homework

Homework will be sent home weekly, with a specific focus on mathematical reasoning and application of grammatical rules.

Each homework sheet should be accompanied by revision guidance, allowing both yourself and the child to develop greater understanding of the topics covered.

All homework should be written in discrete homework books. If your child requires another, please let me know.

If you need help or any support, or want to talk about your child, I am more than happy to meet before or after school.

Just telephone the school office to arrange an appointment.

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