KS1 Newsletter: Term 3 Jan- Feb 2020

Sapphire Amethyst Topaz Emerald Diamond

Welcome back.

We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and great start to the New Year and feel refreshed and ready for a new term!

Although Year 2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) have been cancelled this year, we do face a busy few terms as we continue to build on our learning from Term 1 and 2 as we continue to work towards the Age Related Expectations for Year 1 and Year 2.

Remember to look at our Year 1 and Year 2 topic webs which will explain the curriculum for this term in greater detail.

Topic – Pole to Pole

Our topic this term is called 'Pole to Pole.' As part of this topic we will have a geographical focus as we recognise and learn about parts of the world, particularly the arctic and the Antarctic. Further work will involve us learning about the continents of the world, comparing locations for similarities and differences and also exploring animals from around the world and how they are suited to their habitats. Later this term we will also be holding an exciting explorer dress up day as well as experiencing the Explorer Dome which we are really excited to offer the children. We hope you are ready for a really interesting term ahead- we can't wait!

Reading

Please continue to ensure that **named book bags are in school every day** to allow for reading opportunities to happen whenever possible. Please continue to write in your child's reading record ***every time* they read with you at home.** We continue to encourage children to read as much as possible and we would welcome your support with this too and welcome wider reading in addition to use of the levelled school reading books.

Clubs

Unfortunately, we are not able to offer clubs at this moment in time. Should clubs resume, signup sheets will be sent out where places will be allocated.

Forest School

Please ensure your child has a pair of named wellies in school and they come to school in their own clothes with their school uniform ready to change into. This term, Forest School sessions will run for **Sapphire class on Mondays** and **Topaz class on Thursdays**. For some sessions, we may need parent helpers who have a DBS. Please let class teachers know if you can help us!

Swimming

Swimming will resume this term for all classes in KS1 following COVID secure measure. Please ensure that your child brings a complete kit on their swimming day that includes a *swimming hat, goggles, towel and trunks or swimming costume (tankinis are allowed).* Please send your child to school dressed for swimming underneath their uniform. We ask that children wear joggers and avoid tights.

Wednesday:
Topaz from 9-10 and Sapphire from 10-11
Friday:
Emerald from 9-10, Diamond from 10-11 and Amethyst from 11-12.
* all timings approximate

A Parent helper will be required to support with walking groups to and from the pool. Class teachers will remain in school and deliver targeted work with groups of Year 1 and Year 2 children. Please speak to class teachers if you are able to help.

P.E.Kits

PE sessions will continue to take place mostly outside. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in joggers and trainers with their school jumper ready for PE on their designated day.

Homework

We will continue to set homework this term as we did during Term 2. This will continue to link to our Topic of Pole to Pole as well as some literacy and maths tasks to consolidate class learning opportunities.

Please see the homework agreement on the website for suggested learning tasks that you and your child may wish to complete during the course of Term 3.

Remember, these tasks are suggested ideas and we also welcome additional learning projects that children are inspired by. As before, we do ask that projects and models do not come into school but would welcome photos sent to the year group emails.
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Dates for your Diary!

Monday 4th Jan: INSET Day
Tuesday 5th Jan: Start of Term 3 for Children
TBC: Explorer Dome & Dress up Day
Friday 12th Feb: End of Term 3
Tuesday 23rd Feb: Start of Term 4

Thank you for your support,
Mr Cozens, Mrs Butcher, Mrs Horwood, Miss Jones, Miss Blacker, Miss Jones and Miss Perrett.