



Autumn 2 Information for Parents Class 3 GG

Date: 4th November 2016

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back, East Barnby feels like ages ago and we're now on the countdown to Christmas can you believe! This half term will see us reinforce the new routines from before the holidays such as growth mind-set and independent learning, especially from what we learnt about ourselves at East Barnby.

Class Routines

The children should remember that PE lessons are on Mondays and Fridays and that a **full PE kit including trainers** is necessary for these sessions. Punctuality is also going to be essential; children will be able to come into class and settle as soon as the doors open at 8.40; lessons will begin at 8.50. If children are late they miss vital messages, lesson time or extra basic skills work scheduled with Mrs Dunn. They also need to remember to **bring a water bottle** to school daily as well as their planners.

English:

Children will continue to receive two guided reads a week which will focus on different aspects of reading such as comprehension, reading for pleasure, reading roles and reading for information. Children will also work on spellings and grammar three times each week in time-tabled sessions outside of English lessons as well as covering it within lessons.

In English this half term we will cover historical fiction, choral poetry and instructions and explanations.

Maths:

Children will continue to work on their SMIRFs and work should be practised on these at home to support the learning in school. Times table practice/doubling and halving practice helps enormously as these are skills that most of the children are trying to achieve as part of their work. Maths learning will cover: Place value, written multiplication, division, fractions, 3D shape and measures. Please remember children should be watching the videos on Edmodo to support classroom learning as part of their home-learning. Children struggling with the maths are those not watching the videos as they don't have the pre-learning of the others.

Planners

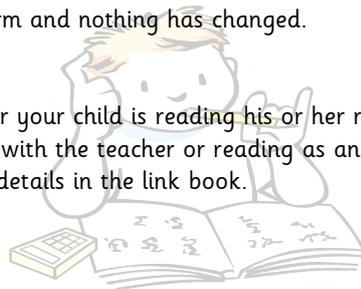
It is to be used for the children to note maths questions and connections from in home learning, important class information such as reminders/home-learning tasks and as a record of their own reading at home. They should also be writing their homework in to make sure they do the right tasks! It is the children's responsibility to make sure the planner is used effectively and that it is in school every day. It can also serve as a means of communication between the school and home. Because I will not see everyone's planner on a daily basis, if there is a note for me then your child must be aware that he/she needs to bring it to my attention.

Homework

A letter was sent out at the beginning of term and nothing has changed.

Reading

Reading takes place daily at school, whether your child is reading his or her reading book to an adult, reading a library book, reading as part of a guided reading session with the teacher or reading as an intrinsic part of daily lessons. When you hear your child read at home, he/she should note the details in the link book.



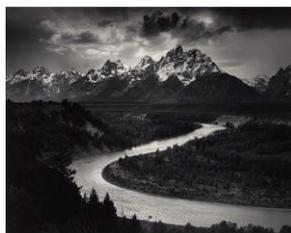
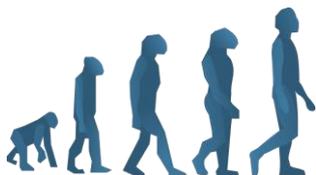
Class 3 Coverage

Our main topic this half term will be '**North America**', and the main emphasis will be on the countries that make up North America and the difference in climate and physical geography.



Our other subject areas are:

- **RE** – Ch'n will continue 'What will make our community more tolerant and respectful?'
- **PSCHE** - this half term will look at Being Safe, this will follow on some of the learning from Crucial Crew and will be linked in to British Values.
- **Music** –We will be using one of the BBC ten pieces-Bare Mountain by Mussorgsky, finding out about the composer and using it as stimulus for our own composition, we will then move onto Troika by Prokofiev.
- **PE** – **MONDAY: TAG RUGBY** led by Mr Warriner-any children who have football boots may prefer to bring them for these sessions as we will be on the top field.
FRIDAY Dance led by Miss Goodchild. It will be a mixture of country dancing and line dancing (be ready for some moaning about boy-girl partners!!)
- **Science**- We will continue studying 'Evolution', focussing on plant adaption, animal adaption, advantages and disadvantages of evolution.
- **ART**- Children will be explore different North American artists such as John Singer Sargent and Ansal Adams and their art work will link directly to this.
- **Computing** –ICT will be used extensively in year 5/6 to aid our learning in many subjects but the hours dedicated Computing skills time this half term learning will cover: Programming.
- **French** – we will continue to progress through aspects of the French language, following the NYCC coverage some units although aimed at different year groups, units are very similar and recap the language so this will work well. Y5 will begin with On Fait la fete (Let's Celebrate) and Y6 will begin with Les Cadeaux (presents).



Thank you for your support, it is appreciated.

Miss Goodchild

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