

Class 3 Summer 2 2019

6th June 2019



Dear parents/carers,

Key Dates

12/6/19 – Ryedale transition

20/6/19 – Thirsk Y5 Enrichment Day

21/6/19 – Primetime & Talent Show

24/6/19 – Sports week

25/6/19 - Sports Day

26/6/19 – Rounders @ Outwood Academy

27/6/19 – Y5 Languages @ Outwood Academy; Netball match vs Sessay

1/7/19-5/7/19 – Thirsk School Transition

2/7/19 – KS2 Cluster Athletics

3/7/19 – Hummingbirds Concert 18:00-19:00

4-5/7/19 – Easingwold Transition

10/7/19 – Class3 Production of Cinderella, 14:15 and 18:00

17/7/19 – Y6 Leavers' Service, 9.30p.m. @ St. Nicholas

19/7/19 – End of Term

Homework

A reminder that homework goes out on a Monday and comes back in on the Friday.

Water Bottles

With the hot weather hopefully arriving, children do get thirsty. Please can you make sure your child has a water bottle (named) that they can refill in school.



Learning

Our topic this half term will be London: A rural and urban comparison.

Our class text this half term will be 'A Midsummers Night's Dream'. Through this text, we shall write Agony Aunt letters, write a Biography of William Shakespeare, finishing with composing play scripts.

Maths – Applying taught skills through reasoning and problem solving activities.

Science: We will be finishing off Evolution and also, for Y5 and 6, we will be teaching Sex and Relationships. There will be an opportunity for parents to view the materials we use, including Channel 4s '**All About Us**' series on Tuesday 18th June after school. Please see the attached letter for further details.

R.E. - What matters most to Christians, to Humanist and to me?

Music/Art – **The production of Cinderella.** Please make sure your child practises their lines.

P.E. Monday (Mr Warriner) – Volleyball; **Friday** –Athletics

French – Les destinations

PSHCE - Transitions

Many thanks,

Mr Chapman

Dear Parents and Carers,

During next half term, we will be teaching our PSHCE theme on Sex and Relationship Education, some of it will be covered through our science topic Living Things and some separately. We would like to take this opportunity to explain our new SRE teaching programme in Year 5/6. As you will know schools have been working with a new curriculum implemented by the government since September 2014. There have been changes to the science curriculum and some of this interlinks with SRE. It does mean that Year 5s will be accessing information not previously taught till later.

We believe it is important to cover SRE sensitively and children should be introduced to the correct vocabulary for body parts and the changes that will occur. We have become increasingly aware our children are beginning puberty earlier than 11 and there are visible signs of this within the current cohort. Puberty can begin at 9 and it is important children are prepared for these changes before they happen so they can understand them. Sex and Relationships education includes supporting young people in developing self-confidence and preparing for the physical and emotional changes into adulthood.

Firstly, we will be talking to the children about the emotional and physical changes that occur as girls and boys go through puberty. We will then explain how a baby develops in the womb during pregnancy and how babies are born. This last unit enables children to reflect on roles and relationships in the family. How a baby is made will currently still wait till Year 6.

The children will watch episodes of the Channel 4s '**All About Us**' series, in their class with their class teacher and teaching assistants. The episodes last approximately 15-20 minutes and the children will have the opportunity to discuss the videos afterwards. Some teaching sessions will be in gender groups to allow for more open discussion and for pupils to feel comfortable with the learning. If you have any questions regarding these topics or the DVD, please do not hesitate to come in and see us. It is your right to withdraw your child if you wish.

There will be an opportunity to view the teaching resources in school on Tuesday 18th June 2019 (allow approximately an hour to view all the videos) before we begin viewing in class. Parents will be left to view the content without a staff member present; however, I will come at the end of the DVD to discuss any queries. If you do not withdraw permission on the form below or come to view the DVD I will assume permission is granted.

Kind regards,

Mr Chapman

Please return the consent form below to Mr Chapman by 14/6/18

(name).....

I give permission for _____

to view the Channel 4 Sex and Relationship Education DVD and attend the lessons.

Signed: (parent/carer

I would / would not like to view the DVD in advance. (please delete as applicable)