



Class Newsletter

Spring Term - 10/01/2020



This Week

Happy New Year to all! As a class, we have had a superb start to the new year. In **English**, we have written a recount of our holidays, then edited it and began our unit looking at the Bear Grylls novel 'The Volcano Challenge'. In **Maths**, we have begun the term looking at the place value of decimal numbers. In **RE**, we began our unit on singing in worship. The children really enjoyed listening to a range of worship songs and sharing their thoughts. A particular favourite was 'Deep Down' by Lincoln Brewster. In **Science**, we started our unit on electricity by thinking through what electricity is, then creating a range of circuits; and exploring the 'magic' (as some children called it) of the Energy Stick from Steve Spangler that shows how humans conduct electricity. In **Geography**, we located the country of Italy, which we will explore in more depth as the half term progresses. In **Computing**, we began our Powerpoint unit focussing on setting up a presentation effectively. In **PE**, the Year 5 children went swimming.

Swimming

For the duration of the Spring Term, the Year 5 children will be going swimming. This is a statutory part of the curriculum. The children have received a goggles letter. Only those who have returned the permission slip may wear goggles. All children need a towel, swimming cap (these can be purchased from Fulwood Leisure centre for less than £2), a suitable swimming attire and a bag to keep it all in.

Stars of the Week

The **DIAMOND 9** award for **CHALLENGE** goes to **Archie** for rising to the challenge in Science and really shining when working with circuits.

The **CURRICULUM** award is **Oliver** for a phenomenal transformation in the presentation of his handwriting.

Behaviour

All children have made an excellent start to the term.
All children have had a fantastic attitude to learning.
We have all flourished this week. Keep it up.

Important Dates

Fri 17th Jan: Swimming for Y5

Mon 20th Jan: PTA meeting at 3:30pm in school

Wed 22 Jan: Borwick Hall Meeting for Y5/6 parents at 6pm

Wed 12th to Fri 14th Feb: Borwick Hall residential

Fri 14th Feb: Break up for half term at 3:15pm

Mon 24th Feb: Inset day

Tues 25th Feb: school reopens at 8:55am

Thur 5th Mar: Sing Together Concert at King George's Hall, Blackburn

Thur 19th Mar: Y3/4 day visit to Borwick Hall

Thur 2nd Apr: Easter Service at 10am

Fri 3rd Apr: Close for Easter holidays at 2pm

Have a lovely weekend. See you on Monday.

Mr Bateman