

Spring term information January 2018

KS2 Lions, Pumas, Owls, Eagles and Hawks

Happy New Year to you all and welcome to the beginning of a very busy and exciting term.

In school we are continuing to develop children's independence skills and expecting them to be "ready to learn" at the beginning of lessons, with the correct equipment in school and on their tables.

It makes a huge difference to your children if you are able to

- Read and talk about their book every day.
- Check that they have learned spellings and times tables.
- Ensure their school book and reading record are returned each day for use in class.
- Help your child with homework, by reminding them to present work well, use sensible writing tools and apply the skills they have learned in class. (If they are stuck, please talk it through with them and if you have helped them a great deal, then please write a brief note at the bottom so that the class teacher can judge your child's independent confidence)
- Ensure their **named indoor and outdoor** P.E kit is in school **every day!** Each class has two timetabled P.E. sessions per week, but depending on the weather, liaison with professional coaches and use of the hall, these sessions are subject to change. Children need to change their footwear for PE.



Plain white T-shirt Black/Green shorts Trainers (Plimsolls) plain joggers/tracksuit plain sweater or tracksuit top (no hoodies)

- If your child cannot do P.E. for any reason, you should phone the school office or write a note to the class teacher to explain this.
- Children wearing earrings will need to remove them for safety reasons.
- Hair that can be tied back **must** be tied back. This is county guidance.

Please ensure all children have suitable clothing for outdoor play in cold weather (appropriate shoes and coat).

Topics

In years 4, 5 and 6 our over-arching topic this term is World War II and includes looking at the effect of the War on the lives of people in Britain and key turning points in other areas. Year 4 are studying Sound in Science, Year 5 are looking at Earth and Space and Year 6 are studying Evolution and Inheritance.

Year 3 are learning about Rainforests. Science will link with this through a study of Plants. Later this term, Year 3 will study Harry Potter and look into Amazing Science.

Grafham Activity Centre. Year 4.

The Year 4 residential trip to Grafham Water is fast approaching. Parents will be invited to a meeting later this term to share more details.

Young Voices

Wow! What a fabulous trip! Children and adults alike are humming little snatches of the music around school. If you would like a momento of the performance, a DVD is available on the YV website/APP.

Class Assemblies/Trips

Eagles Class Assembly - 9th February

Year 4 - 6th February -Imperial War Museum (letters have been sent out)

Year 6 - 22nd February - Maths Day (Huntingdon Racecourse)

Year 6 information

Letters have gone out regarding early morning maths session which will run through the Spring term. Easter boosters will be running again this year. Children are strongly encouraged to attend and there will be a reward for those who do.

Homework

A quick reminder to all, that the homework reward for those who complete given tasks appropriately and hand them in on time, begins again this week. The reward will take place the week before Easter.

KS2 Team.