

Around Britain

Orang-utan Class Newsletter

Term 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

Term 2 is coming to an end and the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about World War 2, finishing our topic by making their air-raid shelters. The children have been a pleasure to teach, embarking on all activities with energy and enthusiasm. Our trip to Invicta Grammar School was a real success; the children had the opportunity to experience different cultures. The children were all fantastic ambassadors of the school when they were guides during the open mornings; they received much recognition and praise from the visitors. They will be using this experience to run their own Cultural Festival at the start of Term 3.

Next term the focus for our topic learning will be Britain; we will be using this in our English work in order to develop our persuasive writing skills both in letter and advertising formats. Linked into this we will be celebrating famous British authors - our main text focus will be The London Eye Mystery. We will also be looking at the geography of the UK and comparing different localities; as well as exploring British Values.

- **MENTAL MATHS & SPELLINGS:** The Year 6 children will undertake table challenges; as well as regularly practising different calculation strategies. Spellings will continue to be through the spelling detective approach whereby the children will be given the focus with some examples of words following that pattern; through the week the children will investigate and explore the pattern and will be tested on words containing that pattern on Friday.
- **PE:** We will be having outside PE every **Tuesday (outdoor kit will be essential this term)** and indoor PE every **Thursday**, but we would ask that your child has all their PE kit in school each day as the timetable can change due to the weather and other unforeseen circumstances. (PE kits should include a change of socks, especially for girls who are wearing tights and appropriate footwear - ideally trainers (school shoes should not be used for PE lessons), a spare carrier bag can be handy in case trainers get muddy).

Thank you for your continuing support and I hope that you all have an enjoyable Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you all in 2018!

Best wishes,
Claire Hale

Key Areas of Study for Term 3

MATHS	Number work and worded problems Angles and constructing shapes Calculating and interpreting means	ART	Pop Art
ENGLISH	Persuasive writing The London Eye Mystery	PSHE	Going for Goals Basic 1 st Aid
SCIENCE	Micro-organisms	PE	Invasion Games Pop Dance
Computing	We are APP designers	FRENCH	Classroom routines, food, and following instructions
RE	Christianity-key teachings	MUSIC	Classroom Jazz